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**Description**

**[0001]** The present invention relates generally to the field of human genetics. Specifically, the present invention relates to methods and materials used to isolate and detect a human breast and ovarian cancer predisposing gene (BRCA1), some mutant alleles of which cause susceptibility to cancer, in particular, breast and ovarian cancer. More specifically, the invention relates to germline mutations in the BRCA1 gene and their use in the diagnosis of predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer. The present invention further relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in human breast and ovarian cancer and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human breast and ovarian cancer. Additionally, the invention relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in other human cancers and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human cancers. The invention also relates to the therapy of human cancers which have a mutation in the BRCA1 gene, including gene therapy, protein replacement therapy and protein mimetics. The invention further relates to the screening of drugs for cancer therapy. Finally, the invention relates to the screening of the BRCA1 gene for mutations, which are useful for diagnosing the predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer.

**[0002]** The publications and other materials used herein to illuminate the background of the invention, and in particular, cases to provide additional details respecting the practice, are incorporated herein by reference, and for convenience, are referenced by author and date in the following text and respectively grouped in the appended List of References.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**[0003]** The genetics of cancer is complicated, involving multiple dominant, positive regulators of the transformed state (oncogenes) as well as multiple recessive, negative regulators (tumor suppressor genes). Over one hundred oncogenes have been characterized. Fewer than a dozen tumor suppressor genes have been identified, but the number is expected to increase beyond fifty (Knudson, 1993).

**[0004]** The involvement of so many genes underscores the complexity of the growth control mechanisms that operate in cells to maintain the integrity of normal tissue. This complexity is manifest in another way. So far, no single gene has been shown to participate in the development of all, or even the majority of human cancers. The most common oncogenic mutations are in the H-ras gene, found in 10-15% of all solid tumors (Anderson *et al.*, 1992). The most frequently mutated tumor suppressor genes are the TP53 gene, homozygously deleted in roughly 50% of all tumors, and CDKN2, which was homozygously deleted in 46% of tumor cell lines examined (Kamb *et al.*, 1994). Without a target that is common to all transformed cells, the dream of a "magic bullet" that can destroy or revert cancer cells while leaving normal tissue unharmed is improbable. The hope for a new generation of specifically targeted antitumor drugs may rest on the ability to identify tumor suppressor genes or oncogenes that play general roles in control of cell division.

**[0005]** The tumor suppressor genes which have been cloned and characterized influence susceptibility to: 1) Retinoblastoma (RB1); 2) Wilms' tumor (WT1); 3) Li-Fraumeni (TP53); 4) Familial adenomatous polyposis (APC); 5) Neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1); 6) Neurofibromatosis type 2 (NF2); 7) von Hippel-Lindau syndrome (VHL); 8) Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 2A (MEN2A); and 9) Melanoma (CDKN2).

**[0006]** Tumor suppressor loci that have been mapped genetically but not yet isolated include genes for: Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 1 (MEN1); Lynch cancer family syndrome 2 (LCFS2); Neuroblastoma (NB); Basal cell nevus syndrome (BCNS); Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome (BWS); Renal cell carcinoma (RCC); Tuberous sclerosis 1 (TSC1); and Tuberous sclerosis 2 (TSC2). The tumor suppressor genes that have been characterized to date encode products with similarities to a variety of protein types, including DNA binding proteins (WT1), ancillary transcription regulators (RB1), GTPase activating proteins or GAPs (NF1), cytoskeletal components (NF2), membrane bound receptor kinases (MEN2A), cell cycle regulators (CDKN2) and others with no obvious similarity to known proteins (APC and VHL).

**[0007]** In many cases, the tumor suppressor gene originally identified through genetic studies has been shown to be lost or mutated in some sporadic tumors. This result suggests that regions of chromosomal aberration may signify the position of important tumor suppressor genes involved both in genetic predisposition to cancer and in sporadic cancer.

**[0008]** One of the hallmarks of several tumor suppressor genes characterized to date is that they are deleted at high frequency in certain tumor types. The deletions often involve loss of a single allele, a so-called loss of heterozygosity (LOH), but may also involve homozygous deletion of both alleles. For LOH, the remaining allele is presumed to be nonfunctional, either because of a preexisting inherited mutation, or because of a secondary sporadic mutation.

**[0009]** Breast cancer is one of the most significant diseases that affects women. At the current rate, American women have a 1 in 8 risk of developing breast cancer by age 95 (American Cancer Society, 1992). Treatment of breast cancer at later stages is often futile and disfiguring, making early detection a high priority in medical management of the disease. Ovarian cancer, although less frequent than breast cancer is often rapidly fatal and is the fourth most common cause of cancer mortality in American women. Genetic factors contribute to an ill-defined proportion of breast cancer

incidence, estimated to be about 5% of all cases but approximately 25% of cases diagnosed before age 40 (Claus *et al.*, 1991). Breast cancer has been subdivided into two types, early-age onset and late-age onset, based on an inflection in the age-specific incidence curve around age 50. Mutation of one gene, BRCA1, is thought to account for approximately 45% of familial breast cancer, but at least 80% of families with both breast and ovarian cancer (Easton *et al.*, 1993).

**[0010]** Intense efforts to isolate the BRCA1 gene have proceeded since it was first mapped in 1990 (Hall *et al.*, 1990; Narod *et al.*, 1991). A second locus, BRCA2, has recently been mapped to chromosome 13q (Wooster *et al.*, 1994) and appears to account for a proportion of early-onset breast cancer roughly equal to BRCA1, but confers a lower risk of ovarian cancer. The remaining susceptibility to early-onset breast cancer is divided between as yet unmapped genes for familial cancer, and rarer germline mutations in genes such as TP53 (Malkin *et al.*, 1990). It has also been suggested that heterozygote carriers for defective forms of the Ataxia-Telangectasia gene are at higher risk for breast cancer (Swift *et al.*, 1976; Swift *et al.*, 1991). Late-age onset breast cancer is also often familial although the risks in relatives are not as high as those for early-onset breast cancer (Cannon-Albright *et al.*, 1994; Mettlin *et al.*, 1990). However, the percentage of such cases due to genetic susceptibility is unknown.

**[0011]** Breast cancer has long been recognized to be, in part, a familial disease (Anderson, 1972). Numerous investigators have examined the evidence for genetic inheritance and concluded that the data are most consistent with dominant inheritance for a major susceptibility locus or loci (Bishop and Gardner, 1980; Go *et al.*, 1983; Willams and Anderson, 1984; Bishop *et al.*, 1988; Newman *et al.*, 1988; Claus *et al.*, 1991). Recent results demonstrate that at least three loci exist which convey susceptibility to breast cancer as well as other cancers. These loci are the TP53 locus on chromosome 17p (Malkin *et al.*, 1990), a 17q-linked susceptibility locus known as BRCA1 (Hall *et al.*, 1990), and one or more loci responsible for the unmapped residual. Hall *et al.* (1990) indicated that the inherited breast cancer susceptibility in kindreds with early age onset is linked to chromosome 17q21; although subsequent studies by this group using a more appropriate genetic model partially refuted the limitation to early onset breast cancer (Margaritte *et al.*, 1992).

**[0012]** Most strategies for cloning the 17q-linked breast cancer predisposing gene (BRCA1) require precise genetic localization studies. The simplest model for the functional role of BRCA1 holds that alleles of BRCA1 that predispose to cancer are recessive to wild type alleles; that is, cells that contain at least one wild type BRCA1 allele are not cancerous. However, cells that contain one wild type BRCA1 allele and one predisposing allele may occasionally suffer loss of the wild type allele either by random mutation or by chromosome loss during cell division (nondisjunction). All the progeny of such a mutant cell lack the wild type function of BRCA1 and may develop into tumors. According to this model, predisposing alleles of BRCA1 are recessive, yet susceptibility to cancer is inherited in a dominant fashion: women who possess one predisposing allele (and one wild type allele) risk developing cancer, because their mammary epithelial cells may spontaneously lose the wild type BRCA1 allele. This model applies to a group of cancer susceptibility loci known as tumor suppressors or antioncogenes, a class of genes that includes the retinoblastoma gene and neurofibromatosis gene. By inference this model may also explain the BRCA1 function, as has recently been suggested (Smith *et al.*, 1992).

**[0013]** A second possibility is that BRCA1 predisposing alleles are truly dominant; that is, a wild type allele of BRCA1 cannot overcome the tumor forming role of the predisposing allele. Thus, a cell that carries both wild type and mutant alleles would not necessarily lose the wild type copy of BRCA1 before giving rise to malignant cells. Instead, mammary cells in predisposed individuals would undergo some other stochastic change(s) leading to cancer.

**[0014]** If BRCA1 predisposing alleles are recessive, the BRCA1 gene is expected to be expressed in normal mammary tissue but not functionally expressed in mammary tumors. In contrast, if BRCA1 predisposing alleles are dominant, the wild type BRCA1 gene may or may not be expressed in normal mammary tissue. However, the predisposing allele will likely be expressed in breast tumor cells.

**[0015]** The 17q linkage of BRCA1 was independently confirmed in three of five kindreds with both breast cancer and ovarian cancer (Narod *et al.*, 1991). These studies claimed to localize the gene within a very large region, 15 centi-Morgans (cM), or approximately 15 million base pairs, to either side of the linked marker pCMM86 (D17S74). However, attempts to define the region further by genetic studies, using markers surrounding pCMM56, proved unsuccessful. Subsequent studies indicated that the gene was considerably more proximal (Easton *et al.*, 1993) and that the original analysis was flawed (Margaritte *et al.*, 1992). Hall *et al.*, (1992) recently localized the BRCA1 gene to an approximately 8 cM interval (approximately 8 million base pairs) bounded by Mfd15(D17S250) on the proximal side and the human GIP gene on the distal side. A slightly narrower interval for the BRCA1 locus, based on publicly available data, was agreed upon at the Chromosome 17 workshop in March of 1992 (Fain, 1992). The size of these regions and the uncertainty associated with them has made it exceedingly difficult to design and implement physical mapping and/or cloning strategies for isolating the BRCA1 gene.

**[0016]** Identification of a breast cancer susceptibility locus would permit the early detection of susceptible individuals and greatly increase our ability to understand the initial steps which lead to cancer. As susceptibility loci are often altered during tumor progression, cloning these genes could also be important in the development of better diagnostic

and prognostic products, as well as better cancer therapies.

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

**[0017]** The present invention relates generally to the field of human genetics. Specifically, the present invention relates to methods and materials used to isolate and detect a human breast cancer predisposing gene (BRCA1), some alleles of which cause susceptibility to cancer, in particular breast and ovarian cancer. More specifically, the present invention relates to germline mutations in the BRCA1 gene and their use in the diagnosis of predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer. The invention further relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in human breast cancer and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human breast and ovarian cancer. Additionally, the invention relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in other human cancers and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human cancers. The invention also relates to the therapy of human cancers which have a mutation in the BRCA1 gene, including gene therapy, protein replacement therapy and protein mimetics. The invention further relates to the screening of drugs for cancer therapy. Finally, the invention relates to the screening of the BRCA1 gene for mutations, which are useful for diagnosing the predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

**[0018]** Figure 1 is a diagram showing the order of loci neighboring BRCA1 as determined by the chromosome 17 workshop. Figure 1 is reproduced from Fain, 1992.

**[0019]** Figure 2 is a schematic map of YACs which define part of Mfd15-Mfd188 region.

**[0020]** Figure 3 is a schematic map of STSs, P1s and BACs in the BRCA1 region.

**[0021]** Figure 4 is a schematic map of human chromosome 17. The pertinent region containing BRCA1 is expanded to indicate the relative positions of two previously identified genes, CA125 and RNU2, BRCA1 spans the marker D17S855.

**[0022]** Figure 5 shows alignment of the BRCA1 zinc-finger domain with 3 other zinc-finger domains that scored highest in a Smith-Waterman alignment. RPT1 encodes a protein that appears to be a negative regulator of the IL-2 receptor in mouse. RIN1 encodes a DNA-binding protein that includes a RING-finger motif related to the zinc-finger. RFP1 encodes a putative transcription factor that is the N-terminal domain of the RET oncogene product. The bottom line contains the C3HC4 consensus zinc-finger sequence showing the positions of cysteines and one histidine that form the zinc ion binding pocket.

**[0023]** Figure 6 is a diagram of BRCA1 mRNA showing the locations of introns and the variants of BRCA1 mRNA produced by alternative splicing. Intron locations are shown by dark triangles and the exons are numbered below the line representing the cDNA. The top cDNA is the composite used to generate the peptide sequence of BRCA1. Alternative forms identified as cDNA clones or hybrid selection clones are shown below.

**[0024]** Figure 7 shows the tissue expression pattern of BRCA1. The blot was obtained from Clontech and contains RNA from the indicated tissues. Hybridization conditions were as recommended by the manufacturer using a probe consisting of nucleotide positions 3631 to 3930 of BRCA1. Note that both breast and ovary are heterogeneous tissues and the percentage of relevant epithelial cells can be variable. Molecular weight standards are in kilobases.

**[0025]** Figure 8 is a diagram of the 5' untranslated region plus the beginning of the translated region of BRCA1 showing the locations of introns and the variants of BRCA1 mRNA produced by alternative splicing. Intron locations are shown by broken dashed lines. Six alternate splice forms are shown.

**[0026]** Figure 9A shows a nonsense mutation in Kindred 2082. P indicates the person originally screened, b and c are haplotype carriers, a, d, e, f, and g do not carry the BRCA1 haplotype. The C to T mutation results in a stop codon and creates a site for the restriction enzyme AvrII. PCR amplification products are cut with this enzyme. The carriers are heterozygous for the site and therefore show three bands. Non-carriers remain uncut.

**[0027]** Figure 9B shows a mutation and cosegregation analysis in BRCA1 kindreds. Carrier individuals are represented as filled circles and squares in the pedigree diagrams. Frameshift mutation in Kindred 1910. The first three lanes are control, noncarrier samples. Lanes labeled 1-3 contain sequences from carrier individuals. Lane 4 contains DNA from a kindred member who does not carry the BRCA1 mutation. The diamond is used to prevent identification of the kindred. The frameshift resulting from the additional C is apparent in lanes labeled 1, 2, and 3.

**[0028]** Figure 9C shows a mutation and cosegregation analysis in BRCA1 kindreds. Carrier individuals are represented as filled circles and squares in the pedigree diagrams. Inferred regulatory mutation in Kindred 2035. ASO analysis of carriers and noncarriers of 2 different polymorphisms (PM1 and PM7) which were examined for heterozygosity in the germline and compared to the heterozygosity of lymphocyte mRNA. The top 2 rows of each panel contain PCR products amplified from genomic DNA and the bottom 2 rows contain PCR products amplified from cDNA. "A" and "G" are the two alleles detected by the ASO. The dark spots indicate that a particular allele is present in the sample. The first three lanes of PM7 represent the three genotypes in the general population.

[0029] Figures 10A-10H show genomic sequence of BRCA1. The lower case letters denote intron sequence while the upper case letters denote exon sequence. Indefinite intervals within introns are designated with vvvvvvvvvvvv. Known polymorphic sites are shown as underlined and boldface type.

## 5 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

[0030] The present invention relates generally to the field of human genetics. Specifically, the present invention relates to methods and materials used to isolate and detect a human breast cancer predisposing gene (BRCA1), some alleles of which cause susceptibility to cancer, in particular breast and ovarian cancer. More specifically, the present invention relates to germline mutations in the BRCA1 gene and their use in the diagnosis of predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer. The invention further relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in human breast cancer and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human breast and ovarian cancer. Additionally, the invention relates to somatic mutations in the BRCA1 gene in other human cancers and their use in the diagnosis and prognosis of human cancers. The invention also relates to the therapy of human cancers which have a mutation in the BRCA1 gene, including gene therapy, protein replacement therapy and protein mimetics. The invention further relates to the screening of drugs for cancer therapy. Finally, the invention relates to the screening of the BRCA1 gene for mutations, which are useful for diagnosing the predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer.

[0031] The present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide comprising all, or a portion of the BRCA1 locus or of a mutated BRCA1 locus, preferably at least eight bases and not more than about 100 kb in length. Such polynucleotides may be antisense polynucleotides. The present invention also provides a recombinant construct comprising such an isolated polynucleotide, for example, a recombinant construct suitable for expression in a transformed host cell.

[0032] Also provided by the present invention are methods of detecting a polynucleotide comprising a portion of the BRCA1 locus or its expression product in an analyte. Such methods may further comprise the step of amplifying the portion of the BRCA1 locus, and may further include a step of providing a set of polynucleotides which are primers for amplification of said portion of the BRCA1 locus. The method is useful for either diagnosis of the predisposition to cancer or the diagnosis or prognosis of cancer.

[0033] The present invention also provides isolated antibodies, preferably monoclonal antibodies, which specifically bind to an isolated polypeptide comprised of at least five amino acid residues encoded by the BRCA1 locus.

[0034] The present invention also provides kits for detecting in an analyte a polynucleotide comprising a portion of the BRCA1 locus, the kits comprising a polynucleotide complementary to the portion of the BRCA1 locus packaged in a suitable container, and instructions for its use.

[0035] The present invention further provides methods of preparing a polynucleotide comprising polymerizing nucleotides to yield a sequence comprised of at least eight consecutive nucleotides of the BRCA1 locus; and methods of preparing a polypeptide comprising polymerizing amino acids to yield a sequence comprising at least five amino acids encoded within the BRCA1 locus.

[0036] The present invention further provides methods of screening the BRCA1 gene to identify mutations. Such methods may further comprise the step of amplifying a portion of the BRCA1 locus, and may further include a step of providing a set of polynucleotides which are primers for amplification of said portion of the BRCA1 locus. The method is useful for identifying mutations for use in either diagnosis of the predisposition to cancer or the diagnosis or prognosis of cancer.

[0037] The present invention further provides methods of screening suspected BRCA1 mutant alleles to identify mutations in the BRCA1 gene.

[0038] In addition, the present invention provides methods of screening drugs for cancer therapy to identify suitable drugs for restoring BRCA1 gene product function.

[0039] Finally, the present invention provides the means necessary for production of gene-based therapies directed at cancer cells. These therapeutic agents may take the form of polynucleotides comprising all or a portion of the BRCA1 locus placed in appropriate vectors or delivered to target cells in more direct ways such that the function of the BRCA1 protein is reconstituted. Therapeutic agents may also take the form of polypeptides based on either a portion of, or the entire protein sequence of BRCA1. These may functionally replace the activity of BRCA1 *in vivo*.

[0040] It is a discovery of the present invention that the BRCA1 locus which predisposes individuals to breast cancer and ovarian cancer, is a gene encoding a BRCA1 protein, which has been found to have no significant homology with known protein or DNA sequences. This gene is termed BRCA1 herein. It is a discovery of the present invention that mutations in the BRCA1 locus in the germline are indicative of a predisposition to breast cancer and ovarian cancer. Finally, it is a discovery of the present invention that somatic mutations in the BRCA1 locus are also associated with breast cancer, ovarian cancer and other cancers, which represents an indicator of these cancers or of the prognosis of these cancers. The mutational events of the BRCA1 locus can involve deletions, insertions and point mutations within the coding sequence and the non-coding sequence.

[0041] Starting from a region on the long arm of human chromosome 17 of the human genome, 17q, which has a

size estimated at about 8 million base pairs, a region which contains a genetic locus, BRCA1, which causes susceptibility to cancer, including breast and ovarian cancer, has been identified.

[0042] The region containing the BRCA1 locus was identified using a variety of genetic techniques. Genetic mapping techniques initially defined the BRCA1 region in terms of recombination with genetic markers. Based upon studies of large extended families ("kindreds") with multiple cases of breast cancer (and ovarian cancer cases in some kindreds), a chromosomal region has been pinpointed that contains the BRCA1 gene as well as other putative susceptibility alleles in the BRCA1 locus. Two meiotic breakpoints have been discovered on the distal side of the BRCA1 locus which are expressed as recombinants between genetic markers and the disease, and one recombinant on the proximal side of the BRCA1 locus. Thus, a region which contains the BRCA1 locus is physically bounded by these markers.

[0043] The use of the genetic markers provided by this invention allowed the identification of clones which cover the region from a human yeast artificial chromosome (YAC) or a human bacterial artificial chromosome (BAC) library. It also allowed for the identification and preparation of more easily manipulated cosmid, P1 and BAC clones from this region and the construction of a contig from a subset of the clones. These cosmids, P1s, YACs and BACs provide the basis for cloning the BRCA1 locus and provide the basis for developing reagents effective, for example, in the diagnosis and treatment of breast and/or ovarian cancer. The BRCA1 gene and other potential susceptibility genes have been isolated from this region. The isolation was done using software trapping (a computational method for identifying sequences likely to contain coding exons, from contiguous or discontinuous genomic DNA sequences), hybrid selection techniques and direct screening, with whole or partial cDNA inserts from cosmids, P1s and BACs, in the region to screen cDNA libraries. These methods were used to obtain sequences of loci expressed in breast and other tissue. These candidate loci were analyzed to identify sequences which confer cancer susceptibility. We have discovered that there are mutations in the coding sequence of the BRCA1 locus in kindreds which are responsible for the 17q-linked cancer susceptibility known as BRCA1. This gene was not known to be in this region. The present invention not only facilitates the early detection of certain cancers, so vital to patient survival, but also permits the detection of susceptible individuals before they develop cancer.

#### Population Resources

[0044] Large, well-documented Utah kindreds are especially important in providing good resources for human genetic studies. Each large kindred independently provides the power to detect whether a BRCA1 susceptibility allele is segregating in that family. Recombinants informative for localization and isolation of the BRCA1 locus could be obtained only from kindreds large enough to confirm the presence of a susceptibility allele. Large sibships are especially important for studying breast cancer, since penetrance of the BRCA1 susceptibility allele is reduced both by age and sex, making informative sibships difficult to find. Furthermore, large sibships are essential for constructing haplotypes of deceased individuals by inference from the haplotypes of their close relatives.

[0045] While other populations may also provide beneficial information, such studies generally require much greater effort, and the families are usually much smaller and thus less informative. Utah's age-adjusted breast cancer incidence is 20% lower than the average U.S. rate. The lower incidence in Utah is probably due largely to an early age at first pregnancy, increasing the probability that cases found in Utah kindreds carry a genetic predisposition.

#### Genetic Mapping

[0046] Given a set of informative families, genetic markers are essential for linking a disease to a region of a chromosome. Such markers include restriction fragment length polymorphisms (RFLPs) (Botstein *et al.*, 1980), markers with a variable number of tandem repeats (VNTRs) (Jeffreys *et al.*, 1985; Nakamura *et al.*, 1987), and an abundant class of DNA polymorphisms based on short tandem repeats (STRs), especially repeats of CpA (Weber and May, 1989; Litt *et al.*, 1989). To generate a genetic map, one selects potential genetic markers and tests them using DNA extracted from members of the kindreds being studied.

[0047] Genetic markers useful in searching for a genetic locus associated with a disease can be selected on an *ad hoc* basis, by densely covering a specific chromosome, or by detailed analysis of a specific region of a chromosome. A preferred method for selecting genetic markers linked with a disease involves evaluating the degree of informativeness of kindreds to determine the ideal distance between genetic markers of a given degree of polymorphism, then selecting markers from known genetic maps which are ideally spaced for maximal efficiency. Informativeness of kindreds is measured by the probability that the markers will be heterozygous in unrelated individuals. It is also most efficient to use STR markers which are detected by amplification of the target nucleic acid sequence using PCR; such markers are highly informative, easy to assay (Weber and May, 1989), and can be assayed simultaneously using multiplexing strategies (Skolnick and Wallace, 1988), greatly reducing the number of experiments required.

[0048] Once linkage has been established, one needs to find markers that flank the disease locus, i.e., one or more markers proximal to the disease locus, and one or more markers distal to the disease locus. Where possible, candidate

markers can be selected from a known genetic map. Where none is known, new markers can be identified by the STR technique, as shown in the Examples.

**[0049]** Genetic mapping is usually an iterative process. In the present invention, it began by defining flanking genetic markers around the BRCA1 locus, then replacing these flanking markers with other markers that were successively closer to the BRCA1 locus. As an initial step, recombination events, defined by large extended kindreds, helped specifically to localize the BRCA1 locus as either distal or proximal to a specific genetic marker (Goldgar *et al.*, 1994).

**[0050]** The region surrounding BRCA1, until the disclosure of the present invention, was not well mapped and there were few markers. Therefore, short repetitive sequences on cosmids subcloned from YACs, which had been physically mapped, were analyzed in order to develop new genetic markers. Using this approach, one marker of the present invention, 42D6, was discovered which replaced pCMM86 as the distal flanking marker for the BRCA1 region. Since 42D6 is approximately 14 cM from pCMM86, the BRCA1 region was thus reduced by approximately 14 centiMorgans (Easton *et al.*, 1993). The present invention thus began by finding a much more closely linked distal flanking marker of the BRCA1 region. BRCA1 was then discovered to be distal to the genetic marker Mfd15. Therefore, BRCA1 was shown to be in a region of 6 to 10 million bases bounded by Mfd15 and 42D6. Marker Mfd191 was subsequently discovered to be distal to Mfd15 and proximal to BRCA1. Thus, Mfd15 was replaced with Mfd191 as the closest proximal genetic marker. Similarly, it was discovered that genetic marker Mfd188 could replace genetic marker 42D6, narrowing the region containing the BRCA1 locus to approximately 1.5 million bases. Then the marker Mfd191 was replaced with tdj1474 as the proximal marker and Mfd188 was replaced with U5R as the distal marker, further narrowing the BRCA1 region to a small enough region to allow isolation and characterization of the BRCA1 locus (see Figure 3), using techniques known in the art and described herein.

#### Physical Mapping

**[0051]** Three distinct methods were employed to physically map the region. The first was the use of yeast artificial chromosomes (YACs) to clone the region which is flanked by tdj1474 and U5R. The second was the creation of a set of P1, BAC and cosmid clones which cover the region containing the BRCA1 locus.

#### Yeast Artificial Chromosomes (YACs).

**[0052]** Once a sufficiently small region containing the BRCA1 locus was identified, physical isolation of the DNA in the region proceeded by identifying a set of overlapping YACs which covers the region. Useful YACs can be isolated from known libraries, such as the St. Louis and CEPH YAC libraries, which are widely distributed and contain approximately 50,000 YACs each. The YACs isolated were from these publicly accessible libraries and can be obtained from a number of sources including the Michigan Genome Center. Clearly, others who had access to these YACs, without the disclosure of the present invention, would not have known the value of the specific YACs we selected since they would not have known which YACs were within, and which YACs outside of, the smallest region containing the BRCA1 locus.

#### Cosmid, P1 and BAC Clones.

**[0053]** In the present invention, it is advantageous to proceed by obtaining cosmid, P1, and BAC clones to cover this region. The smaller size of these inserts, compared to YAC inserts, makes them more useful as specific hybridization probes. Furthermore, having the cloned DNA in bacterial cells, rather than in yeast cells, greatly increases the ease with which the DNA of interest can be manipulated, and improves the signal-to-noise ratio of hybridization assays. For cosmid subclones of YACs, the DNA is partially digested with the restriction enzyme Sau3A and cloned into the BamHI site of the pWE15 cosmid vector (Stratagene, cat. #1251201). The cosmids containing human sequences are screened by hybridization with human repetitive DNA (e.g., Gibco/BRL, Human C<sub>0</sub>t-1 DNA, cat. 5279SA), and then fingerprinted by a variety of techniques, as detailed in the Examples.

**[0054]** P1 and BAC clones are obtained by screening libraries constructed from the total human genome with specific sequence tagged sites (STSs) derived from the YACs, cosmids or P1s and BACs, isolated as described herein.

**[0055]** These P1, BAC and cosmid clones can be compared by interspersed repetitive sequence (IRS) PCR and/or restriction enzyme digests followed by gel electrophoresis and comparison of the resulting DNA fragments ("fingerprints") (Maniatis *et al.*, 1982). The clones can also be characterized by the presence of STSs. The fingerprints are used to define an overlapping contiguous set of clones which covers the region but is not excessively redundant, referred to herein as a "minimum tiling path". Such a minimum tiling path forms the basis for subsequent experiments to identify cDNAs which may originate from the BRCA1 locus.



Coverage of the Gap with P1 and BAC Clones.

[0056] To cover any gaps in the BRCA1 contig between the identified cosmids with genomic clones, clones in P1 and BAC vectors which contain inserts of genomic DNA roughly twice as large as cosmids for P1s and still greater for BACs (Sternberg, 1990; Sternberg *et al.*, 1990; Pierce *et al.*, 1992; Shizuya *et al.*, 1992) were used. P1 clones were isolated by Genome Sciences using PCR primers provided by us for screening. BACs were provided by hybridization techniques in Dr. Mel Simon's laboratory. The strategy of using P1 clones also permitted the covering of the genomic region with an independent set of clones not derived from YACs. This guards against the possibility of other deletions in YACs that have not been detected. These new sequences derived from the P1 clones provide the material for further screening for candidate genes, as described below.

Gene Isolation.

[0057] There are many techniques for testing genomic clones for the presence of sequences likely to be candidates for the coding sequence of a locus one is attempting to isolate, including but not limited to:

- a. zoo blots
- b. identifying HTF islands
- c. exon trapping
- d. hybridizing cDNA to cosmids or YACs.
- e. screening cDNA libraries.

(a) Zoo blots. The first technique is to hybridize cosmids to Southern blots to identify DNA sequences which are evolutionarily conserved, and which therefore give positive hybridization signals with DNA from species of varying degrees of relationship to humans (such as monkey, cow, chicken, pig, mouse and rat). Southern blots containing such DNA from a variety of species are commercially available (Clontech, Cat. 7753-1).

(b) Identifying HTF islands. The second technique involves finding regions rich in the nucleotides C and G, which often occur near or within coding sequences. Such sequences are called HTF (HpaI tiny fragment) or CpG islands, as restriction enzymes specific for sites which contain CpG dimers cut frequently in these regions (Lindsay *et al.*, 1987).

(c) Exon trapping. The third technique is exon trapping, a method that identifies sequences in genomic DNA which contain splice junctions and therefore are likely to comprise coding sequences of genes. Exon amplification (Buckler *et al.*, 1991) is used to select and amplify exons from DNA clones described above. Exon amplification is based on the selection of RNA sequences which are flanked by functional 5' and/or 3' splice sites. The products of the exon amplification are used to screen the breast cDNA libraries to identify a manageable number of candidate genes for further study. Exon trapping can also be performed on small segments of sequenced DNA using computer programs or by software trapping.

(d) Hybridizing cDNA to Cosmids, P1s, BACS or YACs. The fourth technique is a modification of the selective enrichment technique which utilizes hybridization of cDNA to cosmids, P1s, BACs or YACs and permits transcribed sequences to be identified in, and recovered from cloned genomic DNA (Kandpal *et al.*, 1990). The selective enrichment technique, as modified for the present purpose, involves binding DNA from the region of BRCA1 present in a YAC to a column matrix and selecting cDNAs from the relevant libraries which hybridize with the bound DNA, followed by amplification and purification of the bound DNA, resulting in a great enrichment for cDNAs in the region represented by the cloned genomic DNA.

(e) Identification of cDNAs. The fifth technique is to identify cDNAs that correspond to the BRCA1 locus. Hybridization probes containing putative coding sequences, selected using any of the above techniques, are used to screen various libraries, including breast tissue cDNA libraries, ovarian cDNA libraries, and any other necessary libraries.

[0058] Another variation on the theme of direct selection of cDNA was also used to find candidate genes for BRCA1 (Lovett *et al.*, 1991; Futreal, 1993). This method uses cosmid, P1 or BAC DNA as the probe. The probe DNA is digested with a blunt cutting restriction enzyme such as HaeIII. Double stranded adapters are then ligated onto the DNA and serve as binding sites for primers in subsequent PCR amplification reactions using biotinylated primers. Target cDNA is generated from mRNA derived from tissue samples, e.g., breast tissue, by synthesis of either random primed or oligo(dT) primed first strand followed by second strand synthesis. The cDNA ends are rendered blunt and ligated onto double-stranded adapters. These adapters serve as amplification sites for PCR. The target and probe sequences are denatured and mixed with human C<sub>0</sub>t-1 DNA to block repetitive sequences. Solution hybridization is carried out to high C<sub>0</sub>t-1/2 values to ensure hybridization of rare target cDNA molecules. The annealed material is then captured on avidin

beads, washed at high stringency and the retained cDNAs are eluted and amplified by PCR. The selected cDNA is subjected to further rounds of enrichment before cloning into a plasmid vector for analysis.

#### Testing the cDNA for Candidacy

[0059] Proof that the cDNA is the BRCA1 locus is obtained by finding sequences in DNA extracted from affected kindred members which create abnormal BRCA1 gene products or abnormal levels of BRCA1 gene product. Such BRCA1 susceptibility alleles will co-segregate with the disease in large kindreds. They will also be present at a much higher frequency in non-kindred individuals with breast and ovarian cancer than in individuals in the general population. Finally, since tumors often mutate somatically at loci which are in other instances mutated in the germline, we expect to see normal germline BRCA1 alleles mutated into sequences which are identical or similar to BRCA1 susceptibility alleles in DNA extracted from tumor tissue. Whether one is comparing BRCA1 sequences from tumor tissue to BRCA1 alleles from the germline of the same individuals, or one is comparing germline BRCA1 alleles from cancer cases to those from unaffected individuals, the key is to find mutations which are serious enough to cause obvious disruption to the normal function of the gene product. These mutations can take a number of forms. The most severe forms would be frame shift mutations or large deletions which would cause the gene to code for an abnormal protein or one which would significantly alter protein expression. Less severe disruptive mutations would include small in-frame deletions and nonconservative base pair substitutions which would have a significant effect on the protein produced, such as changes to or from a cysteine residue, from a basic to an acidic amino acid or vice versa, from a hydrophobic to hydrophilic amino acid or vice versa, or other mutations which would affect secondary, tertiary or quaternary protein structure. Silent mutations or those resulting in conservative amino acid substitutions would not generally be expected to disrupt protein function.

[0060] According to the diagnostic and prognostic method of the present invention, alteration of the wild-type BRCA1 locus is detected. In addition, the method can be performed by detecting the wild-type BRCA1 locus and confirming the lack of a predisposition to cancer at the BRCA1 locus. "Alteration of a wild-type gene" encompasses all forms of mutations including deletions, insertions and point mutations in the coding and noncoding regions. Deletions may be of the entire gene or of only a portion of the gene. Point mutations may result in stop codons, frameshift mutations or amino acid substitutions. Somatic mutations are those which occur only in certain tissues, e.g., in the tumor tissue, and are not inherited in the germline. Germline mutations can be found in any of a body's tissues and are inherited. If only a single allele is somatically mutated, an early neoplastic state is indicated. However, if both alleles are somatically mutated, then a late neoplastic state is indicated. The finding of BRCA1 mutations thus provides both diagnostic and prognostic information. A BRCA1 allele which is not deleted (e.g., found on the sister chromosome to a chromosome carrying a BRCA1 deletion) can be screened for other mutations, such as insertions, small deletions, and point mutations. It is believed that many mutations found in tumor tissues will be those leading to decreased expression of the BRCA1 gene product. However, mutations leading to non-functional gene products would also lead to a cancerous state. Point mutational events may occur in regulatory regions, such as in the promoter of the gene, leading to loss or diminution of expression of the mRNA. Point mutations may also abolish proper RNA processing, leading to loss of expression of the BRCA1 gene product, or to a decrease in mRNA stability or translation efficiency.

[0061] Useful diagnostic techniques include, but are not limited to fluorescent *in situ* hybridization (FISH), direct DNA sequencing, PFGE analysis, Southern blot analysis, single stranded conformation analysis (SSCA), RNase protection assay, allele-specific oligonucleotide (ASO), dot blot analysis and PCR-SSCP, as discussed in detail further below.

[0062] Predisposition to cancers, such as breast and ovarian cancer, and the other cancers identified herein, can be ascertained by testing any tissue of a human for mutations of the BRCA1 gene. For example, a person who has inherited a germline BRCA1 mutation would be prone to develop cancers. This can be determined by testing DNA from any tissue of the person's body. Most simply, blood can be drawn and DNA extracted from the cells of the blood. In addition, prenatal diagnosis can be accomplished by testing fetal cells, placental cells or amniotic cells for mutations of the BRCA1 gene. Alteration of a wild-type BRCA1 allele, whether, for example, by point mutation or deletion, can be detected by any of the means discussed herein.

[0063] There are several methods that can be used to detect DNA sequence variation. Direct DNA sequencing, either manual sequencing or automated fluorescent sequencing can detect sequence variation. For a gene as large as BRCA1, manual sequencing is very labor-intensive, but under optimal conditions, mutations in the coding sequence of a gene are rarely missed. Another approach is the single-stranded conformation polymorphism assay (SSCA) (Orita *et al.*, 1989). This method does not detect all sequence changes, especially if the DNA fragment size is greater than 200 bp, but can be optimized to detect most DNA sequence variation. The reduced detection sensitivity is a disadvantage, but the increased throughput possible with SSCA makes it an attractive, viable alternative to direct sequencing for mutation detection on a research basis. The fragments which have shifted mobility on SSCA gels are then sequenced to determine the exact nature of the DNA sequence variation. Other approaches based on the detection of mismatches between the two complementary DNA strands include clamped denaturing gel electrophoresis (CDGE) (Sheffield *et*

*al.*, 1991), heteroduplex analysis (HA) (White *et al.*, 1992) and chemical mismatch cleavage (CMC) (Grompe *et al.*, 1989). None of the methods described above will detect large deletions, duplications or insertions, nor will they detect a regulatory mutation which affects transcription or translation of the protein. Other methods which might detect these classes of mutations such as a protein truncation assay or the asymmetric assay, detect only specific types of mutations and would not detect missense mutations. A review of currently available methods of detecting DNA sequence variation can be found in a recent review by Grompe (1993). Once a mutation is known, an allele specific detection approach such as allele specific oligonucleotide (ASO) hybridization can be utilized to rapidly screen large numbers of other samples for that same mutation.

**[0064]** In order to detect the alteration of the wild-type BRCA1 gene in a tissue, it is helpful to isolate the tissue free from surrounding normal tissues. Means for enriching tissue preparation for tumor cells are known in the art. For example, the tissue may be isolated from paraffin or cryostat sections. Cancer cells may also be separated from normal cells by flow cytometry. These techniques, as well as other techniques for separating tumor cells from normal cells, are well known in the art. If the tumor tissue is highly contaminated with normal cells, detection of mutations is more difficult.

**[0065]** A rapid preliminary analysis to detect polymorphisms in DNA sequences can be performed by looking at a series of Southern blots of DNA cut with one or more restriction enzymes, preferably with a large number of restriction enzymes. Each blot contains a series of normal individuals and a series of cancer cases, tumors, or both. Southern blots displaying hybridizing fragments (differing in length from control DNA when probed with sequences near or including the BRCA1 locus) indicate a possible mutation. If restriction enzymes which produce very large restriction fragments are used, then pulsed field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) is employed.

**[0066]** Detection of point mutations may be accomplished by molecular cloning of the BRCA1 allele(s) and sequencing the allele(s) using techniques well known in the art. Alternatively, the gene sequences can be amplified directly from a genomic DNA preparation from the tumor tissue, using known techniques. The DNA sequence of the amplified sequences can then be determined.

**[0067]** There are six well known methods for a more complete, yet still indirect, test for confirming the presence of a susceptibility allele: 1) single stranded conformation analysis (SSCA) (Orita *et al.*, 1989); 2) denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis (DGGE) (Wartell *et al.*, 1990; Sheffield *et al.*, 1989); 3) RNase protection assays (Finkelstein *et al.*, 1990; Kinszler *et al.*, 1991); 4) allele-specific oligonucleotides (ASOs) (Conner *et al.*, 1983); 5) the use of proteins which recognize nucleotide mismatches, such as the *E. coli* mutS protein (Modrich, 1991); and 6) allele-specific PCR (Rano & Kidd, 1989). For allele-specific PCR, primers are used which hybridize at their 3' ends to a particular BRCA1 mutation. If the particular BRCA1 mutation is not present, an amplification product is not observed. Amplification Refractory Mutation System (ARMS) can also be used, as disclosed in European Patent Application Publication No. 0332435 and in Newton *et al.*, 1989. Insertions and deletions of genes can also be detected by cloning, sequencing and amplification. In addition, restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) probes for the gene or surrounding marker genes can be used to score alteration of an allele or an insertion in a polymorphic fragment. Such a method is particularly useful for screening relatives of an affected individual for the presence of the BRCA1 mutation found in that individual. Other techniques for detecting insertions and deletions as known in the art can be used.

**[0068]** In the first three methods (SSCA, DGGE and RNase protection assay), a new electrophoretic band appears. SSCA detects a band which migrates differentially because the sequence change causes a difference in single-strand, intramolecular base pairing. RNase protection involves cleavage of the mutant polynucleotide into two or more smaller fragments. DGGE detects differences in migration rates of mutant sequences compared to wild-type sequences, using a denaturing gradient gel. In an allele-specific oligonucleotide assay, an oligonucleotide is designed which detects a specific sequence, and the assay is performed by detecting the presence or absence of a hybridization signal. In the mutS assay, the protein binds only to sequences that contain a nucleotide mismatch in a heteroduplex between mutant and wild-type sequences.

**[0069]** Mismatches, according to the present invention, are hybridized nucleic acid duplexes in which the two strands are not 100% complementary. Lack of total homology may be due to deletions, insertions, inversions or substitutions. Mismatch detection can be used to detect point mutations in the gene or in its mRNA product. While these techniques are less sensitive than sequencing, they are simpler to perform on a large number of tumor samples. An example of a mismatch cleavage technique is the RNase protection method. In the practice of the present invention, the method involves the use of a labeled riboprobe which is complementary to the human wild-type BRCA1 gene coding sequence. The riboprobe and either mRNA or DNA isolated from the tumor tissue are annealed (hybridized) together and subsequently digested with the enzyme RNase A which is able to detect some mismatches in a duplex RNA structure. If a mismatch is detected by RNase A, it cleaves at the site of the mismatch. Thus, when the annealed RNA preparation is separated on an electrophoretic gel matrix, if a mismatch has been detected and cleaved by RNase A, an RNA product will be seen which is smaller than the full length duplex RNA for the riboprobe and the mRNA or DNA. The riboprobe need not be the full length of the BRCA1 mRNA or gene but can be a segment of either. If the riboprobe comprises only a segment of the BRCA1 mRNA or gene, it will be desirable to use a number of these probes to screen

the whole mRNA sequence for mismatches.

[0070] In similar fashion, DNA probes can be used to detect mismatches, through enzymatic or chemical cleavage. See, e.g., Cotton *et al.*, 1988; Shenk *et al.*, 1975; Novack *et al.*, 1986. Alternatively, mismatches can be detected by shifts in the electrophoretic mobility of mismatched duplexes relative to matched duplexes. See, e.g., Cariello, 1988. With either riboprobes or DNA probes, the cellular mRNA or DNA which might contain a mutation can be amplified using PCR (see below) before hybridization. Changes in DNA of the BRCA1 gene can also be detected using Southern hybridization, especially if the changes are gross rearrangements, such as deletions and insertions.

[0071] DNA sequences of the BRCA1 gene which have been amplified by use of PCR may also be screened using allele-specific probes. These probes are nucleic acid oligomers, each of which contains a region of the BRCA1 gene sequence harboring a known mutation. For example, one oligomer may be about 30 nucleotides in length, corresponding to a portion of the BRCA1 gene sequence. By use of a battery of such allele-specific probes, PCR amplification products can be screened to identify the presence of a previously identified mutation in the BRCA1 gene. Hybridization of allele-specific probes with amplified BRCA1 sequences can be performed, for example, on a nylon filter. Hybridization to a particular probe under stringent hybridization conditions indicates the presence of the same mutation in the tumor tissue as in the allele-specific probe.

[0072] The most definitive test for mutations in a candidate locus is to directly compare genomic BRCA1 sequences from cancer patients with those from a control population. Alternatively, one could sequence messenger RNA after amplification, e.g., by PCR, thereby eliminating the necessity of determining the exon structure of the candidate gene.

[0073] Mutations from cancer patients falling outside the coding region of BRCA1 can be detected by examining the non-coding regions, such as introns and regulatory sequences near or within the BRCA1 gene. An early indication that mutations in noncoding regions are important may come from Northern blot experiments that reveal messenger RNA molecules of abnormal size or abundance in cancer patients as compared to control individuals.

[0074] Alteration of BRCA1 mRNA expression can be detected by any techniques known in the art. These include Northern blot analysis, PCR amplification and RNase protection. Diminished mRNA expression indicates an alteration of the wild-type BRCA1 gene. Alteration of wild-type BRCA1 genes can also be detected by screening for alteration of wild-type BRCA1 protein. For example, monoclonal antibodies immunoreactive with BRCA1 can be used to screen a tissue. Lack of cognate antigen would indicate a BRCA1 mutation. Antibodies specific for products of mutant alleles could also be used to detect mutant BRCA1 gene product. Such immunological assays can be done in any convenient formats known in the art. These include Western blots, immunohistochemical assays and ELISA assays. Any means for detecting an altered BRCA1 protein can be used to detect alteration of wild-type BRCA1 genes. Functional assays, such as protein binding determinations, can be used. In addition, assays can be used which detect BRCA1 biochemical function. Finding a mutant BRCA1 gene product indicates alteration of a wild-type BRCA1 gene.

[0075] Mutant BRCA1 genes or gene products can also be detected in other human body samples, such as serum, stool, urine and sputum. The same techniques discussed above for detection of mutant BRCA1 genes or gene products in tissues can be applied to other body samples. Cancer cells are sloughed off from tumors and appear in such body samples. In addition, the BRCA1 gene product itself may be secreted into the extracellular space and found in these body samples even in the absence of cancer cells. By screening such body samples, a simple early diagnosis can be achieved for many types of cancers. In addition, the progress of chemotherapy or radiotherapy can be monitored more easily by testing such body samples for mutant BRCA1 genes or gene products.

[0076] The methods of diagnosis of the present invention are applicable to any tumor in which BRCA1 has a role in tumorigenesis. The diagnostic method of the present invention is useful for clinicians, so they can decide upon an appropriate course of treatment.

[0077] The primer pairs of the present invention are useful for determination of the nucleotide sequence of a particular BRCA1 allele using PCR. The pairs of single-stranded DNA primers can be annealed to sequences within or surrounding the BRCA1 gene on chromosome 17q21 in order to prime amplifying DNA synthesis of the BRCA1 gene itself. A complete set of these primers allows synthesis of all of the nucleotides of the BRCA1 gene coding sequences, i.e., the exons. The set of primers preferably allows synthesis of both intron and exon sequences. Allele-specific primers can also be used. Such primers anneal only to particular BRCA1 mutant alleles, and thus will only amplify a product in the presence of the mutant allele as a template.

[0078] In order to facilitate subsequent cloning of amplified sequences, primers may have restriction enzyme site sequences appended to their 5' ends. Thus, all nucleotides of the primers are derived from BRCA1 sequences or sequences adjacent to BRCA1, except for the few nucleotides necessary to form a restriction enzyme site. Such enzymes and sites are well known in the art. The primers themselves can be synthesized using techniques which are well known in the art. Generally, the primers can be made using oligonucleotide synthesizing machines which are commercially available. Given the sequence of the BRCA1 open reading frame shown in SEQ ID NO:1, design of particular primers is well within the skill of the art.

[0079] The nucleic acid probes provided by the present invention are useful for a number of purposes. They can be used in Southern hybridization to genomic DNA and in the RNase protection method for detecting point mutations

already discussed above. The probes can be used to detect PCR amplification products. They may also be used to detect mismatches with the BRCA1 gene or mRNA using other techniques.

[0080] It has been discovered that individuals with the wild-type BRCA1 gene do not have cancer which results from the BRCA1 allele. However, mutations which interfere with the function of the BRCA1 protein are involved in the pathogenesis of cancer. Thus, the presence of an altered (or a mutant) BRCA1 gene which produces a protein having a loss of function, or altered function, directly correlates to an increased risk of cancer. In order to detect a BRCA1 gene mutation, a biological sample is prepared and analyzed for a difference between the sequence of the BRCA1 allele being analyzed and the sequence of the wild-type BRCA1 allele. Mutant BRCA1 alleles can be initially identified by any of the techniques described above. The mutant alleles are then sequenced to identify the specific mutation of the particular mutant allele. Alternatively, mutant BRCA1 alleles can be initially identified by identifying mutant (altered) BRCA1 proteins, using conventional techniques. The mutant alleles are then sequenced to identify the specific mutation for each allele. The mutations, especially those which lead to an altered function of the BRCA1 protein, are then used for the diagnostic and prognostic methods of the present invention.

#### Definitions

[0081] The present invention employs the following definitions:

[0082] **"Amplification of Polynucleotides"** utilizes methods such as the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), ligation amplification (or ligase chain reaction, LCR) and amplification methods based on the use of Q-beta replicase. These methods are well known and widely practiced in the art. See, e.g., U.S. Patents 4,683,195 and 4,683,202 and Innis *et al.*, 1990 (for PCR); and Wu *et al.*, 1989a (for LCR). Reagents and hardware for conducting PCR are commercially available. Primers useful to amplify sequences from the BRCA1 region are preferably complementary to, and hybridize specifically to sequences in the BRCA1 region or in regions that flank a target region therein. BRCA1 sequences generated by amplification may be sequenced directly. Alternatively, but less desirably, the amplified sequence(s) may be cloned prior to sequence analysis. A method for the direct cloning and sequence analysis of enzymatically amplified genomic segments has been described by Scharf, 1986.

[0083] **"Analyte polynucleotide"** and **"analyte strand"** refer to a single- or double-stranded polynucleotide which is suspected of containing a target sequence, and which may be present in a variety of types of samples, including biological samples.

[0084] **"Antibodies."** The present invention also provides polyclonal and/or monoclonal antibodies and fragments thereof, and immunologic binding equivalents thereof, which are capable of specifically binding to the BRCA1 polypeptides and fragments thereof or to polynucleotide sequences from the BRCA1 region, particularly from the BRCA1 locus or a portion thereof. The term **"antibody"** is used both to refer to a homogeneous molecular entity, or a mixture such as a serum product made up of a plurality of different molecular entities. Polypeptides may be prepared synthetically in a peptide synthesizer and coupled to a carrier molecule (e.g., keyhole limpet hemocyanin) and injected over several months into rabbits. Rabbit sera is tested for immunoreactivity to the BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment. Monoclonal antibodies may be made by injecting mice with the protein polypeptides, fusion proteins or fragments thereof. Monoclonal antibodies will be screened by ELISA and tested for specific immunoreactivity with BRCA1 polypeptide or fragments thereof. See, Harlow & Lane, 1988. These antibodies will be useful in assays as well as pharmaceuticals.

[0085] Once a sufficient quantity of desired polypeptide has been obtained, it may be used for various purposes. A typical use is the production of antibodies specific for binding. These antibodies may be either polyclonal or monoclonal, and may be produced by *in vitro* or *in vivo* techniques well known in the art. For production of polyclonal antibodies, an appropriate target immune system, typically mouse or rabbit, is selected. Substantially purified antigen is presented to the immune system in a fashion determined by methods appropriate for the animal and by other parameters well known to immunologists. Typical sites for injection are in footpads, intramuscularly, intraperitoneally, or intradermally. Of course, other species may be substituted for mouse or rabbit. Polyclonal antibodies are then purified using techniques known in the art, adjusted for the desired specificity.

[0086] An immunological response is usually assayed with an immunoassay. Normally, such immunoassays involve some purification of a source of antigen, for example, that produced by the same cells and in the same fashion as the antigen. A variety of immunoassay methods are well known in the art. See, e.g., Harlow & Lane, 1988, or Goding, 1986.

[0087] Monoclonal antibodies with affinities of  $10^{-8}$  M<sup>-1</sup> or preferably  $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-1}$  M<sup>-1</sup> or stronger will typically be made by standard procedures as described, e.g., in Harlow & Lane, 1988 or Goding, 1986. Briefly, appropriate animals will be selected and the desired immunization protocol followed. After the appropriate period of time, the spleens of such animals are excised and individual spleen cells fused, typically, to immortalized myeloma cells under appropriate selection conditions. Thereafter, the cells are clonally separated and the supernatants of each clone tested for their production of an appropriate antibody specific for the desired region of the antigen.

[0088] Other suitable techniques involve *in vitro* exposure of lymphocytes to the antigenic polypeptides, or alternatively, to selection of libraries of antibodies in phage or similar vectors, See Huse *et al.*, 1989. The polypeptides and

antibodies of the present invention may be used with or without modification. Frequently, polypeptides and antibodies will be labeled by joining, either covalently or non-covalently, a substance which provides for a detectable signal. A wide variety of labels and conjugation techniques are known and are reported extensively in both the scientific and patent literature. Suitable labels include radionuclides, enzymes, substrates, cofactors, inhibitors, fluorescent agents, chemiluminescent agents, magnetic particles and the like. Patents teaching the use of such labels include U.S. Patents 3,817,837; 3,850,752; 3,939,350; 3,996,345; 4,277,437; 4,275,149 and 4,366,241. Also, recombinant immunoglobulins may be produced (see U.S. Patent 4,816,567).

**[0089] "Binding partner"** refers to a molecule capable of binding a ligand molecule with high specificity, as for example, an antigen and an antigen-specific antibody or an enzyme and its inhibitor. In general, the specific binding partners must bind with sufficient affinity to immobilize the analyte copy/complementary strand duplex (in the case of polynucleotide hybridization) under the isolation conditions. Specific binding partners are known in the art and include, for example, biotin and avidin or streptavidin, IgG and protein A, the numerous, known receptor-ligand couples, and complementary polynucleotide strands. In the case of complementary polynucleotide binding partners, the partners are normally at least about 15 bases in length, and may be at least 40 bases in length. The polynucleotides may be composed of DNA, RNA, or synthetic nucleotide analogs.

**[0090]** A **"biological sample"** refers to a sample of tissue or fluid suspected of containing an analyte polynucleotide or polypeptide from an individual including, but not limited to, e.g., plasma, serum, spinal fluid, lymph fluid, the external sections of the skin, respiratory, intestinal, and genitourinary tracts, tears, saliva, blood cells, tumors, organs, tissue and samples of *in vitro* cell culture constituents.

**[0091]** As used herein, the terms **"diagnosing"** or **"prognosing,"** as used in the context of neoplasia, are used to indicate 1) the classification of lesions as neoplasia, 2) the determination of the severity of the neoplasia, or 3) the monitoring of the disease progression, prior to, during and after treatment.

**[0092] "Encode".** A polynucleotide is said to "encode" a polypeptide if, in its native state or when manipulated by methods well known to those skilled in the art, it can be transcribed and/or translated to produce the mRNA for and/or the polypeptide or a fragment thereof. The anti-sense strand is the complement of such a nucleic acid, and the encoding sequence can be deduced therefrom.

**[0093] "Isolated" or "substantially pure".** An "isolated" or "substantially pure" nucleic acid (e.g., an RNA, DNA or a mixed polymer) is one which is substantially separated from other cellular components which naturally accompany a native human sequence or protein, e.g., ribosomes, polymerases, many other human genome sequences and proteins. The term embraces a nucleic acid sequence or protein which has been removed from its naturally occurring environment, and includes recombinant or cloned DNA isolates and chemically synthesized analogs or analogs biologically synthesized by heterologous systems.

**[0094] "BRCA1 Allele"** refers to normal alleles of the BRCA1 locus as well as alleles carrying variations that predispose individuals to develop cancer of many sites including, for example, breast, ovarian, colorectal and prostate cancer. Such predisposing alleles are also called **"BRCA1 susceptibility alleles"**.

**[0095] "BRCA1 Locus," "BRCA1 Gene," "BRCA1 Nucleic Acids" or "BRCA1 Polynucleotide"** each refer to polynucleotides, all of which are in the BRCA1 region, that are likely to be expressed in normal tissue, certain alleles of which predispose an individual to develop breast, ovarian, colorectal and prostate cancers. Mutations at the BRCA1 locus may be involved in the initiation and/or progression of other types of tumors. The locus is indicated in part by mutations that predispose individuals to develop cancer. These mutations fall within the BRCA1 region described *infra*. The BRCA1 locus is intended to include coding sequences, intervening sequences and regulatory elements controlling transcription and/or translation. The BRCA1 locus is intended to include all allelic variations of the DNA sequence.

**[0096]** These terms, when applied to a nucleic acid, refer to a nucleic acid which encodes a BRCA1 polypeptide, fragment, homolog or variant, including, e.g., protein fusions or deletions. The nucleic acids of the present invention will possess a sequence which is either derived from, or substantially similar to a natural BRCA1-encoding gene or one having substantial homology with a natural BRCA1-encoding gene or a portion thereof. The coding sequence for a BRCA1 polypeptide is shown in SEQ ID NO:1, with the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2.

**[0097]** The polynucleotide compositions of this invention include RNA, cDNA, genomic DNA, synthetic forms, and mixed polymers, both sense and antisense strands, and may be chemically or biochemically modified or may contain non-natural or derivatized nucleotide bases, as will be readily appreciated by those skilled in the art. Such modifications include, for example, labels, methylation, substitution of one or more of the naturally occurring nucleotides with an analog, internucleotide modifications such as uncharged linkages (e.g., methyl phosphonates, phosphotriesters, phosphoramidates, carbamates, etc.), charged linkages (e.g., phosphorothioates, phosphorodithioates, etc.), pendent moieties (e.g., polypeptides), intercalators (e.g., acridine, psoralen, etc.), chelators, alkylators, and modified linkages (e.g., alpha anomeric nucleic acids, etc.). Also included are synthetic molecules that mimic polynucleotides in their ability to bind to a designated sequence via hydrogen bonding and other chemical interactions. Such molecules are known in the art and include, for example, those in which peptide linkages substitute for phosphate linkages in the backbone of the molecule.

[0098] The present invention provides recombinant nucleic acids comprising all or part of the BRCA1 region. The recombinant construct may be capable of replicating autonomously in a host cell. Alternatively, the recombinant construct may become integrated into the chromosomal DNA of the host cell. Such a recombinant polynucleotide comprises a polynucleotide of genomic, cDNA, semi-synthetic, or synthetic origin which, by virtue of its origin or manipulation, 1) is not associated with all or a portion of a polynucleotide with which it is associated in nature; 2) is linked to a polynucleotide other than that to which it is linked in nature; or 3) does not occur in nature.

[0099] Therefore, recombinant nucleic acids comprising sequences otherwise not naturally occurring are provided by this invention. Although the wild-type sequence may be employed, it will often be altered, e.g., by deletion, substitution or insertion.

[0100] cDNA or genomic libraries of various types may be screened as natural sources of the nucleic acids of the present invention, or such nucleic acids may be provided by amplification of sequences resident in genomic DNA or other natural sources, e.g., by PCR. The choice of cDNA libraries normally corresponds to a tissue source which is abundant in mRNA for the desired proteins. Phage libraries are normally preferred, but other types of libraries may be used. Clones of a library are spread onto plates, transferred to a substrate for screening, denatured and probed for the presence of desired sequences.

[0101] The DNA sequences used in this invention will usually comprise at least about five codons (15 nucleotides), more usually at least about 7-15 codons, and most preferably, at least about 35 codons. One or more introns may also be present. This number of nucleotides is usually about the minimal length required for a successful probe that would hybridize specifically with a BRCA1-encoding sequence.

[0102] Techniques for nucleic acid manipulation are described generally, for example, in Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.*, 1992. Reagents useful in applying such techniques, such as restriction enzymes and the like, are widely known in the art and commercially available from such vendors as New England BioLabs, Boehringer Mannheim, Amersham, Promega Biotec, U. S. Biochemicals, New England Nuclear, and a number of other sources. The recombinant nucleic acid sequences used to produce fusion proteins of the present invention may be derived from natural or synthetic sequences. Many natural gene sequences are obtainable from various cDNA or from genomic libraries using appropriate probes. See, GenBank, National Institutes of Health.

[0103] **"BRCA1 Region"** refers to a portion of human chromosome 17q21 bounded by the markers tdj1474 and U5R. This region contains the BRCA1 locus, including the BRCA1 gene.

[0104] As used herein, the terms **"BRCA1 locus," "BRCA1 allele"** and **"BRCA1 region"** all refer to the double-stranded DNA comprising the locus, allele, or region, as well as either of the single-stranded DNAs comprising the locus, allele or region.

[0105] As used herein, a **"portion"** of the BRCA1 locus or region or allele is defined as having a minimal size of at least about eight nucleotides, or preferably about 15 nucleotides, or more preferably at least about 25 nucleotides, and may have a minimal size of at least about 40 nucleotides.

[0106] **"BRCA1 protein"** or **"BRCA1 polypeptide"** refer to a protein or polypeptide encoded by the BRCA1 locus, variants or fragments thereof. The term "polypeptide" refers to a polymer of amino acids and its equivalent and does not refer to a specific length of the product; thus, peptides, oligopeptides and proteins are included within the definition of a polypeptide. This term also does not refer to, or exclude modifications of the polypeptide, for example, glycosylations, acetylations, phosphorylations, and the like. Included within the definition are, for example, polypeptides containing one or more analogs of an amino acid (including, for example, unnatural amino acids, etc.), polypeptides with substituted linkages as well as other modifications known in the art, both naturally and non-naturally occurring. Ordinarily, such polypeptides will be at least about 50% homologous to the native BRCA1 sequence, preferably in excess of about 90%, and more preferably at least about 95% homologous. Also included are proteins encoded by DNA which hybridize under high or low stringency conditions, to BRCA1-encoding nucleic acids and closely related polypeptides or proteins retrieved by antisera to the BRCA1 protein(s).

[0107] The length of polypeptide sequences compared for homology will generally be at least about 16 amino acids, usually at least about 20 residues, more usually at least about 24 residues, typically at least about 28 residues, and preferably more than about 35 residues.

[0108] **"Operably linked"** refers to a juxtaposition wherein the components so described are in a relationship permitting them to function in their intended manner. For instance, a promoter is operably linked to a coding sequence if the promoter affects its transcription or expression.

[0109] **"Probes"**. Polynucleotide polymorphisms associated with BRCA1 alleles which predispose to certain cancers or are associated with most cancers are detected by hybridization with a polynucleotide probe which forms a stable hybrid with that of the target sequence, under stringent to moderately stringent hybridization and wash conditions. If it is expected that the probes will be perfectly complementary to the target sequence, stringent conditions will be used. Hybridization stringency may be lessened if some mismatching is expected, for example, if variants are expected with the result that the probe will not be completely complementary. Conditions are chosen which rule out nonspecific/adventitious bindings, that is, which minimize noise. Since such indications identify neutral DNA polymorphisms as

well as mutations, these indications need further analysis to demonstrate detection of a BRCA1 susceptibility allele.

[0110] Probes for BRCA1 alleles may be derived from the sequences of the BRCA1 region or its cDNAs. The probes may be of any suitable length, which span all or a portion of the BRCA1 region, and which allow specific hybridization to the BRCA1 region. If the target sequence contains a sequence identical to that of the probe, the probes may be short, e.g., in the range of about 8-30 base pairs, since the hybrid will be relatively stable under even stringent conditions. If some degree of mismatch is expected with the probe, i.e., if it is suspected that the probe will hybridize to a variant region, a longer probe may be employed which hybridizes to the target sequence with the requisite specificity.

[0111] The probes will include an isolated polynucleotide attached to a label or reporter molecule and may be used to isolate other polynucleotide sequences, having sequence similarity by standard methods. For techniques for preparing and labeling probes see, e.g., Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.*, 1992. Other similar polynucleotides may be selected by using homologous polynucleotides. Alternatively, polynucleotides encoding these or similar polypeptides may be synthesized or selected by use of the redundancy in the genetic code. Various codon substitutions may be introduced, e.g., by silent changes (thereby producing various restriction sites) or to optimize expression for a particular system. Mutations may be introduced to modify the properties of the polypeptide, perhaps to change ligand-binding affinities, interchain affinities, or the polypeptide degradation or turnover rate.

[0112] Probes comprising synthetic oligonucleotides or other polynucleotides of the present invention may be derived from naturally occurring or recombinant single- or double-stranded polynucleotides, or be chemically synthesized. Probes may also be labeled by nick translation, Klenow fill-in reaction, or other methods known in the art.

[0113] Portions of the polynucleotide sequence having at least about eight nucleotides, usually at least about 15 nucleotides, and fewer than about 6 kb, usually fewer than about 1.0 kb, from a polynucleotide sequence encoding BRCA1 are preferred as probes. The probes may also be used to determine whether mRNA encoding BRCA1 is present in a cell or tissue.

[0114] **"Protein modifications or fragments"** are provided by the present invention for BRCA1 polypeptides or fragments thereof which are substantially homologous to primary structural sequence but which include, e.g., *in vivo* or *in vitro* chemical and biochemical modifications or which incorporate unusual amino acids. Such modifications include, for example, acetylation, carboxylation, phosphorylation, glycosylation, ubiquitination, labeling, e.g., with radioisotopes, and various enzymatic modifications, as will be readily appreciated by those well skilled in the art. A variety of methods for labeling polypeptides and of substituents or labels useful for such purposes are well known in the art, and include radioactive isotopes such as <sup>32</sup>P, ligands which bind to labeled antiligands (e.g., antibodies), fluorophores, chemiluminescent agents, enzymes, and antiligands which can serve as specific binding pair members for a labeled ligand. The choice of label depends on the sensitivity required, ease of conjugation with the primer, stability requirements, and available instrumentation. Methods of labeling polypeptides are well known in the art. See, e.g., Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.*, 1992.

[0115] Besides substantially full-length polypeptides, the present invention provides for biologically active fragments of the polypeptides. Significant biological activities include ligand-binding, immunological activity and other biological activities characteristic of BRCA1 polypeptides. Immunological activities include both immunogenic function in a target immune system, as well as sharing of immunological epitopes for binding, serving as either a competitor or substitute antigen for an epitope of the BRCA1 protein. As used herein, "epitope" refers to an antigenic determinant of a polypeptide. An epitope could comprise three amino acids in a spatial conformation which is unique to the epitope. Generally, an epitope consists of at least five such amino acids, and more usually consists of at least 8-10 such amino acids. Methods of determining the spatial conformation of such amino acids are known in the art.

[0116] For immunological purposes, tandem-repeat polypeptide segments may be used as immunogens, thereby producing highly antigenic proteins. Alternatively, such polypeptides will serve as highly efficient competitors for specific binding. Production of antibodies specific for BRCA1 polypeptides or fragments thereof is described below.

[0117] The present invention also provides for fusion polypeptides, comprising BRCA1 polypeptides and fragments. Homologous polypeptides may be fusions between two or more BRCA1 polypeptide sequences or between the sequences of BRCA1 and a related protein. Likewise, heterologous fusions may be constructed which would exhibit a combination of properties or activities of the derivative proteins. For example, ligand-binding or other domains may be "swapped" between different new fusion polypeptides or fragments. Such homologous or heterologous fusion polypeptides may display, for example, altered strength or specificity of binding. Fusion partners include immunoglobulins, bacterial  $\beta$ -galactosidase, trpE, protein A,  $\beta$ -lactamase, alpha amylase, alcohol dehydrogenase and yeast alpha mating factor. See, e.g., Godowski *et al.*, 1988.

[0118] Fusion proteins will typically be made by either recombinant nucleic acid methods, as described below, or may be chemically synthesized. Techniques for the synthesis of polypeptides are described, for example, in Merrifield, 1963.

[0119] **"Protein purification"** refers to various methods for the isolation of the BRCA1 polypeptides from other biological material, such as from cells transformed with recombinant nucleic acids encoding BRCA1, and are well known in the art. For example, such polypeptides may be purified by immuno-affinity chromatography employing, e.g., the



antibodies provided by the present invention. Various methods of protein purification are well known in the art, and include those described in Deutscher, 1990 and Scopes, 1982.

[0120] The terms "**isolated**", "**substantially pure**", and "**substantially homogeneous**" are used interchangeably to describe a protein or polypeptide which has been separated from components which accompany it in its natural state. A monomeric protein is substantially pure when at least about 60 to 75% of a sample exhibits a single polypeptide sequence. A substantially pure protein will typically comprise about 60 to 90% W/W of a protein sample, more usually about 95%, and preferably will be over about 99% pure. Protein purity or homogeneity may be indicated by a number of means well known in the art, such as polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis of a protein sample, followed by visualizing a single polypeptide band upon staining the gel. For certain purposes, higher resolution may be provided by using HPLC or other means well known in the art which are utilized for purification.

[0121] A BRCA1 protein is substantially free of naturally associated components when it is separated from the native contaminants which accompany it in its natural state. Thus, a polypeptide which is chemically synthesized or synthesized in a cellular system different from the cell from which it naturally originates will be substantially free from its naturally associated components. A protein may also be rendered substantially free of naturally associated components by isolation, using protein purification techniques well known in the art.

[0122] A polypeptide produced as an expression product of an isolated and manipulated genetic sequence is an "isolated polypeptide," as used herein, even if expressed in a homologous cell type. Synthetically made forms or molecules expressed by heterologous cells are inherently isolated molecules.

[0123] "**Recombinant nucleic acid**" is a nucleic acid which is not naturally occurring, or which is made by the artificial combination of two otherwise separated segments of sequence. This artificial combination is often accomplished by either chemical synthesis means, or by the artificial manipulation of isolated segments of nucleic acids, e. g., by genetic engineering techniques. Such is usually done to replace a codon with a redundant codon encoding the same or a conservative amino acid, while typically introducing or removing a sequence recognition site. Alternatively, it is performed to join together nucleic acid segments of desired functions to generate a desired combination of functions.

[0124] "**Regulatory sequences**" refers to those sequences normally within 100 kb of the coding region of a locus, but they may also be more distant from the coding region, which affect the expression of the gene (including transcription of the gene, and translation, splicing, stability or the like of the messenger RNA).

[0125] "**Substantial homology or similarity**". A nucleic acid or fragment thereof is "substantially homologous" ("or substantially similar") to another if, when optimally aligned (with appropriate nucleotide insertions or deletions) with the other nucleic acid (or its complementary strand), there is nucleotide sequence identity in at least about 60% of the nucleotide bases, usually at least about 70%, more usually at least about 80%, preferably at least about 90%, and more preferably at least about 95-98% of the nucleotide bases.

[0126] Alternatively, substantial homology or (similarity) exists when a nucleic acid or fragment thereof will hybridize to another nucleic acid (or a complementary strand thereof) under selective hybridization conditions, to a strand, or to its complement. Selectivity of hybridization exists when hybridization which is substantially more selective than total lack of specificity occurs. Typically, selective hybridization will occur when there is at least about 55% homology over a stretch of at least about 14 nucleotides, preferably at least about 65%, more preferably at least about 75%, and most preferably at least about 90%. See, Kanehisa, 1984. The length of homology comparison, as described, may be over longer stretches, and in certain embodiments will often be over a stretch of at least about nine nucleotides, usually at least about 20 nucleotides, more usually at least about 24 nucleotides, typically at least about 28 nucleotides, more typically at least about 32 nucleotides, and preferably at least about 36 or more nucleotides.

[0127] Nucleic acid hybridization will be affected by such conditions as salt concentration, temperature, or organic solvents, in addition to the base composition, length of the complementary strands, and the number of nucleotide base mismatches between the hybridizing nucleic acids, as will be readily appreciated by those skilled in the art. Stringent temperature conditions will generally include temperatures in excess of 30°C, typically in excess of 37°C, and preferably in excess of 45°C. Stringent salt conditions will ordinarily be less than 1000 mM, typically less than 500 mM, and preferably less than 200 mM. However, the combination of parameters is much more important than the measure of any single parameter. See, e.g., Wetmur & Davidson, 1968.

[0128] Probe sequences may also hybridize specifically to duplex DNA under certain conditions to form triplex or other higher order DNA complexes. The preparation of such probes and suitable hybridization conditions are well known in the art.

[0129] The terms "**substantial homology**" or "**substantial identity**", when referring to polypeptides, indicate that the polypeptide or protein in question exhibits at least about 30% identity with an entire naturally-occurring protein or a portion thereof, usually at least about 70% identity, and preferably at least about 95% identity.

[0130] "**Substantially similar function**" refers to the function of a modified nucleic acid or a modified protein, with reference to the wild-type BRCA1 nucleic acid or wild-type BRCA1 polypeptide. The modified polypeptide will be substantially homologous to the wild-type BRCA1 polypeptide and will have substantially the same function. The modified polypeptide may have an altered amino acid sequence and/or may contain modified amino acids. In addition to the

similarity of function, the modified polypeptide may have other useful properties, such as a longer half-life. The similarity of function (activity) of the modified polypeptide may be substantially the same as the activity of the wild-type BRCA1 polypeptide. Alternatively, the similarity of function (activity) of the modified polypeptide may be higher than the activity of the wild-type BRCA1 polypeptide. The modified polypeptide is synthesized using conventional techniques, or is encoded by a modified nucleic acid and produced using conventional techniques. The modified nucleic acid is prepared by conventional techniques. A nucleic acid with a function substantially similar to the wild-type BRCA1 gene function produces the modified protein described above.

[0131] Homology, for polypeptides, is typically measured using sequence analysis software. See, e.g., the Sequence Analysis Software Package of the Genetics Computer Group, University of Wisconsin Biotechnology Center, 910 University Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin 53705. Protein analysis software matches similar sequences using measure of homology assigned to various substitutions, deletions and other modifications. Conservative substitutions typically include substitutions within the following groups: glycine, alanine; valine, isoleucine, leucine; aspartic acid, glutamic acid; asparagine, glutamine; serine, threonine; lysine, arginine; and phenylalanine, tyrosine.

[0132] A polypeptide "fragment," "portion" or "segment" is a stretch of amino acid residues of at least about five to seven contiguous amino acids, often at least about seven to nine contiguous amino acids, typically at least about nine to 13 contiguous amino acids and, most preferably, at least about 20 to 30 or more contiguous amino acids.

[0133] The polypeptides of the present invention, if soluble, may be coupled to a solid-phase support, e.g., nitrocellulose, nylon, column packing materials (e.g., Sepharose beads), magnetic beads, glass wool, plastic, metal, polymer gels, cells, or other substrates. Such supports may take the form, for example, of beads, wells, dipsticks, or membranes.

[0134] "Target region" refers to a region of the nucleic acid which is amplified and/or detected. The term "target sequence" refers to a sequence with which a probe or primer will form a stable hybrid under desired conditions.

[0135] The practice of the present invention employs, unless otherwise indicated, conventional techniques of chemistry, molecular biology, microbiology, recombinant DNA, genetics, and immunology. See, e.g., Maniatis *et al.*, 1982; Sambrook *et al.*, 1989; Ausubel *et al.*, 1992; Glover, 1985; Anand, 1992; Guthrie & Fink, 1991. A general discussion of techniques and materials for human gene mapping, including mapping of human chromosome 17q, is provided, e.g., in White and Lalouel, 1988.

#### Preparation of recombinant or chemically synthesized nucleic acids; vectors, transformation, host cells

[0136] Large amounts of the polynucleotides of the present invention may be produced by replication in a suitable host cell. Natural or synthetic polynucleotide fragments coding for a desired fragment will be incorporated into recombinant polynucleotide constructs, usually DNA constructs, capable of introduction into and replication in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic cell. Usually the polynucleotide constructs will be suitable for replication in a unicellular host, such as yeast or bacteria, but may also be intended for introduction to (with and without integration within the genome) cultured mammalian or plant or other eukaryotic cell lines. The purification of nucleic acids produced by the methods of the present invention is described, e.g., in Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.*, 1992.

[0137] The polynucleotides of the present invention may also be produced by chemical synthesis, e.g., by the phosphoramidite method described by Beaucage & Carruthers, 1981 or the triester method according to Matteucci and Caruthers, 1981, and may be performed on commercial, automated oligonucleotide synthesizers. A double-stranded fragment may be obtained from the single-stranded product of chemical synthesis either by synthesizing the complementary strand and annealing the strands together under appropriate conditions or by adding the complementary strand using DNA polymerase with an appropriate primer sequence.

[0138] Polynucleotide constructs prepared for introduction into a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host may comprise a replication system recognized by the host, including the intended polynucleotide fragment encoding the desired polypeptide, and will preferably also include transcription and translational initiation regulatory sequences operably linked to the polypeptide encoding segment. Expression vectors may include, for example, an origin of replication or autonomously replicating sequence (ARS) and expression control sequences, a promoter, an enhancer and necessary processing information sites, such as ribosome-binding sites, RNA splice sites, polyadenylation sites, transcriptional terminator sequences, and mRNA stabilizing sequences. Secretion signals may also be included where appropriate, whether from a native BRCA1 protein or from other receptors or from secreted polypeptides of the same or related species, which allow the protein to cross and/or lodge in cell membranes, and thus attain its functional topology, or be secreted from the cell. Such vectors may be prepared by means of standard recombinant techniques well known in the art and discussed, for example, in Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.* 1992.

[0139] An appropriate promoter and other necessary vector sequences will be selected so as to be functional in the host, and may include, when appropriate, those naturally associated with BRCA1 genes. Examples of workable combinations of cell lines and expression vectors are described in Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 or Ausubel *et al.*, 1992; see also, e.g., Metzger *et al.*, 1988. Many useful vectors are known in the art and may be obtained from such vendors as Stratagene, New England Biolabs, Promega Biotech, and others. Promoters such as the trp, lac and phage promoters,

tRNA promoters and glycolytic enzyme promoters may be used in prokaryotic hosts. Useful yeast promoters include promoter regions for metallothionein, 3-phosphoglycerate kinase or other glycolytic enzymes such as enolase or glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, enzymes responsible for maltose and galactose utilization, and others. Vectors and promoters suitable for use in yeast expression are further described in Hitzeman *et al.*, EP 73,675A. Appropriate non-native mammalian promoters might include the early and late promoters from SV40 (Fiers *et al.*, 1978) or promoters derived from murine Moloney leukemia virus, mouse tumor virus, avian sarcoma viruses, adenovirus II, bovine papilloma virus or polyoma. In addition, the construct may be joined to an amplifiable gene (e.g., DHFR) so that multiple copies of the gene may be made. For appropriate enhancer and other expression control sequences, see also *Enhancers and Eukaryotic Gene Expression*, Cold Spring Harbor Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York (1983).

[0140] While such expression vectors may replicate autonomously, they may also replicate by being inserted into the genome of the host cell, by methods well known in the art.

[0141] Expression and cloning vectors will likely contain a selectable marker, a gene encoding a protein necessary for survival or growth of a host cell transformed with the vector. The presence of this gene ensures growth of only those host cells which express the inserts. Typical selection genes encode proteins that a) confer resistance to antibiotics or other toxic substances, e.g. ampicillin, neomycin, methotrexate, etc.; b) complement auxotrophic deficiencies, or c) supply critical nutrients not available from complex media, e.g., the gene encoding D-alanine racemase for *Bacilli*. The choice of the proper selectable marker will depend on the host cell, and appropriate markers for different hosts are well known in the art.

[0142] The vectors containing the nucleic acids of interest can be transcribed *in vitro*, and the resulting RNA introduced into the host cell by well-known methods, e.g., by injection (see, Kubo *et al.*, 1988), or the vectors can be introduced directly into host cells by methods well known in the art, which vary depending on the type of cellular host, including electroporation; transfection employing calcium chloride, rubidium chloride, calcium phosphate, DEAE-dextran, or other substances; microprojectile bombardment; lipofection; infection (where the vector is an infectious agent, such as a retroviral genome); and other methods. See generally, Sambrook *et al.*, 1989 and Ausubel *et al.*, 1992. The introduction of the polynucleotides into the host cell by any method known in the art, including, *inter alia*, those described above, will be referred to herein as "transformation." The cells into which have been introduced nucleic acids described above are meant to also include the progeny of such cells.

[0143] Large quantities of the nucleic acids and polypeptides of the present invention may be prepared by expressing the BRCA1 nucleic acids or portions thereof in vectors or other expression vehicles in compatible prokaryotic or eukaryotic host cells. The most commonly used prokaryotic hosts are strains of *Escherichia coli*, although other prokaryotes, such as *Bacillus subtilis* or *Pseudomonas* may also be used.

[0144] Mammalian or other eukaryotic host cells, such as those of yeast, filamentous fungi, plant, insect, or amphibian or avian species, may also be useful for production of the proteins of the present invention. Propagation of mammalian cells in culture is *per se* well known. See, Jakoby and Pastan, 1979. Examples of commonly used mammalian host cell lines are VERO and HeLa cells, Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, and WI38, BHK, and COS cell lines, although it will be appreciated by the skilled practitioner that other cell lines may be appropriate, e.g., to provide higher expression, desirable glycosylation patterns, or other features.

[0145] Clones are selected by using markers depending on the mode of the vector construction. The marker may be on the same or a different DNA molecule, preferably the same DNA molecule. In prokaryotic hosts, the transformant may be selected, e.g., by resistance to ampicillin, tetracycline or other antibiotics. Production of a particular product based on temperature sensitivity may also serve as an appropriate marker.

[0146] Prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells transformed with the polynucleotides of the present invention will be useful not only for the production of the nucleic acids and polypeptides of the present invention, but also, for example, in studying the characteristics of BRCA1 polypeptides.

[0147] Antisense polynucleotide sequences are useful in preventing or diminishing the expression of the BRCA1 locus, as will be appreciated by those skilled in the art. For example, polynucleotide vectors containing all or a portion of the BRCA1 locus or other sequences from the BRCA1 region (particularly those flanking the BRCA1 locus) may be placed under the control of a promoter in an antisense orientation and introduced into a cell. Expression of such an antisense construct within a cell will interfere with BRCA1 transcription and/or translation and/or replication.

[0148] The probes and primers based on the BRCA1 gene sequences disclosed herein are used to identify homologous BRCA1 gene sequences and proteins in other species. These BRCA1 gene sequences and proteins are used in the diagnostic/prognostic, therapeutic and drug screening methods described herein for the species from which they have been isolated.

#### Methods of Use: Nucleic Acid Diagnosis and Diagnostic Kits

[0149] In order to detect the presence of a BRCA1 allele predisposing an individual to cancer, a biological sample such as blood is prepared and analyzed for the presence or absence of susceptibility alleles of BRCA1. In order to

detect the presence of neoplasia, the progression toward malignancy of a precursor lesion, or as a prognostic indicator, a biological sample of the lesion is prepared and analyzed for the presence or absence of mutant alleles of BRCA1. Results of these tests and interpretive information are returned to the health care provider for communication to the tested individual. Such diagnoses may be performed by diagnostic laboratories, or, alternatively, diagnostic kits are

manufactured and sold to health care providers or to private individuals for self-diagnosis.  
**[0150]** Initially, the screening method involves amplification of the relevant BRCA1 sequences. In another preferred embodiment of the invention, the screening method involves a non-PCR based strategy. Such screening methods include two-step label amplification methodologies that are well known in the art. Both PCR and non-PCR based screening strategies can detect target sequences with a high level of sensitivity.

**[0151]** The most popular method used today is target amplification. Here, the target nucleic acid sequence is amplified with polymerases. One particularly preferred method using polymerase-driven amplification is the polymerase chain reaction (PCR). The polymerase chain reaction and other polymerase-driven amplification assays can achieve over a million-fold increase in copy number through the use of polymerase-driven amplification cycles. Once amplified, the resulting nucleic acid can be sequenced or used as a substrate for DNA probes.

**[0152]** When the probes are used to detect the presence of the target sequences (for example, in screening for cancer susceptibility), the biological sample to be analyzed, such as blood or serum, may be treated, if desired, to extract the nucleic acids. The sample nucleic acid may be prepared in various ways to facilitate detection of the target sequence; e.g. denaturation, restriction digestion, electrophoresis or dot blotting. The targeted region of the analyte nucleic acid usually must be at least partially single-stranded to form hybrids with the targeting sequence of the probe. If the sequence is naturally single-stranded, denaturation will not be required. However, if the sequence is double-stranded, the sequence will probably need to be denatured. Denaturation can be carried out by various techniques known in the art.

**[0153]** Analyte nucleic acid and probe are incubated under conditions which promote stable hybrid formation of the target sequence in the probe with the putative targeted sequence in the analyte. The region of the probes which is used to bind to the analyte can be made completely complementary to the targeted region of human chromosome 17q. Therefore, high stringency conditions are desirable in order to prevent false positives. However, conditions of high stringency are used only if the probes are complementary to regions of the chromosome which are unique in the genome. The stringency of hybridization is determined by a number of factors during hybridization and during the washing procedure, including temperature, ionic strength, base composition, probe length, and concentration of formamide. These factors are outlined in, for example, Maniatis *et al.*, 1982 and Sambrook *et al.*, 1989. Under certain circumstances, the formation of higher order hybrids, such as triplexes, quadruplexes, etc., may be desired to provide the means of detecting target sequences.

**[0154]** Detection, if any, of the resulting hybrid is usually accomplished by the use of labeled probes. Alternatively, the probe may be unlabeled, but may be detectable by specific binding with a ligand which is labeled, either directly or indirectly. Suitable labels, and methods for labeling probes and ligands are known in the art, and include, for example, radioactive labels which may be incorporated by known methods (e.g., nick translation, random priming or kinasing), biotin, fluorescent groups, chemiluminescent groups (e.g., dioxetanes, particularly triggered dioxetanes), enzymes, antibodies and the like. Variations of this basic scheme are known in the art, and include those variations that facilitate separation of the hybrids to be detected from extraneous materials and/or that amplify the signal from the labeled moiety. A number of these variations are reviewed in, e.g., Matthews & Kricka, 1988; Landegren *et al.*, 1988; Mittlin, 1989; U.S. Patent 4,868,105, and in EPO Publication No. 225,807.

**[0155]** As noted above, non-PCR based screening assays are also contemplated in this invention. An exemplary non-PCR based procedure is provided in Example 11. This procedure hybridizes a nucleic acid probe (or an analog such as a methyl phosphonate backbone replacing the normal phosphodiester), to the low level DNA target. This probe may have an enzyme covalently linked to the probe, such that the covalent linkage does not interfere with the specificity of the hybridization. This enzyme-probe-conjugate-target nucleic acid complex can then be isolated away from the free probe enzyme conjugate and a substrate is added for enzyme detection. Enzymatic activity is observed as a change in color development or luminescent output resulting in a  $10^3$ - $10^6$  increase in sensitivity. For an example relating to the preparation of oligodeoxynucleotide-alkaline phosphatase conjugates and their use as hybridization probes see Jablonski *et al.*, 1986.

**[0156]** Two-step label amplification methodologies are known in the art. These assays work on the principle that a small ligand (such as digoxigenin, biotin, or the like) is attached to a nucleic acid probe capable of specifically binding BRCA1. Exemplary probes are provided in Table 9 of this patent application and additionally include the nucleic acid probe corresponding to nucleotide positions 3631 to 3930 of SEQ ID NO:1. Allele specific probes are also contemplated within the scope of this example and exemplary allele specific probes include probes encompassing the predisposing mutations summarized in Tables 11 and 12 of this patent application.

**[0157]** In one example, the small ligand attached to the nucleic acid probe is specifically recognized by an antibody-enzyme conjugate. In one embodiment of this example, digoxigenin is attached to the nucleic acid probe. Hybridization

is detected by an antibody-alkaline phosphatase conjugate which turns over a chemiluminescent substrate. For methods for labeling nucleic acid probes according to this embodiment see Martin *et al.*, 1990. In a second example, the small ligand is recognized by a second ligand-enzyme conjugate that is capable of specifically complexing to the first ligand. A well known embodiment of this example is the biotin-avidin type of interactions. For methods for labeling

nucleic acid probes and their use in biotin-avidin based assays see Rigby *et al.*, 1977 and Nguyen *et al.*, 1992.  
**[0158]** It is also contemplated within the scope of this invention that the nucleic acid probe assays of this invention will employ a cocktail of nucleic acid probes capable of detecting BRCA1. Thus, in one example to detect the presence of BRCA1 in a cell sample, more than one probe complementary to BRCA1 is employed and in particular the number of different probes is alternatively 2, 3, or 5 different nucleic acid probe sequences. In another example, to detect the presence of mutations in the BRCA1 gene sequence in a patient, more than one probe complementary to BRCA1 is employed where the cocktail includes probes capable of binding to the allele-specific mutations identified in populations of patients with alterations in BRCA1. In this embodiment, any number of probes can be used, and will preferably include probes corresponding to the major gene mutations identified as predisposing an individual to breast cancer. Some candidate probes contemplated within the scope of the invention include probes that include the allele-specific mutations identified in Tables 11 and 12 and those that have the BRCA1 regions corresponding to SEQ ID NO:1 both 5' and 3' to the mutation site.

#### Methods of Use: Peptide Diagnosis and Diagnostic Kits

**[0159]** The neoplastic condition of lesions can also be detected on the basis of the alteration of wild-type BRCA1 polypeptide. Such alterations can be determined by sequence analysis in accordance with conventional techniques. More preferably, antibodies (polyclonal or monoclonal) are used to detect differences in, or the absence of BRCA1 peptides. The antibodies may be prepared as discussed above under the heading "Antibodies" and as further shown in Examples 12 and 13. Other techniques for raising and purifying antibodies are well known in the art and any such techniques may be chosen to achieve the preparations claimed in this invention. In a preferred embodiment of the invention, antibodies will immunoprecipitate BRCA1 proteins from solution as well as react with BRCA1 protein on Western or immunoblots of polyacrylamide gels. In another preferred embodiment, antibodies will detect BRCA1 proteins in paraffin or frozen tissue sections, using immunocytochemical techniques.

**[0160]** Preferred embodiments relating to methods for detecting BRCA1 or its mutations include enzyme linked immunosorbent assays (ELISA), radioimmunoassays (RIA), immunoradiometric assays (IRMA) and immunoenzymatic assays (IEMA), including sandwich assays using monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibodies. Exemplary sandwich assays are described by David *et al.* in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,376,110 and 4,486,530, hereby incorporated by reference, and exemplified in Example 14.

#### Methods of Use: Drug Screening

**[0161]** This invention is particularly useful for screening compounds by using the BRCA1 polypeptide or binding fragment thereof in any of a variety of drug screening techniques.

**[0162]** The BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment employed in such a test may either be free in solution, affixed to a solid support, or borne on a cell surface. One method of drug screening utilizes eucaryotic or procaryotic host cells which are stably transformed with recombinant polynucleotides expressing the polypeptide or fragment, preferably in competitive binding assays. Such cells, either in viable or fixed form, can be used for standard binding assays. One may measure, for example, for the formation of complexes between a BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment and the agent being tested, or examine the degree to which the formation of a complex between a BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment and a known ligand is interfered with by the agent being tested.

**[0163]** Thus, the present invention provides methods of screening for drugs comprising contacting such an agent with a BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment thereof and assaying (i) for the presence of a complex between the agent and the BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment, or (ii) for the presence of a complex between the BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment and a ligand, by methods well known in the art. In such competitive binding assays the BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment is typically labeled. Free BRCA1 polypeptide or fragment is separated from that present in a protein:protein complex, and the amount of free (i.e., uncomplexed) label is a measure of the binding of the agent being tested to BRCA1 or its interference with BRCA1:ligand binding, respectively.

**[0164]** Another technique for drug screening provides high throughput screening for compounds having suitable binding affinity to the BRCA1 polypeptides and is described in detail in Geysen, PCT published application WO 84/03564, published on September 13, 1984. Briefly stated, large numbers of different small peptide test compounds are synthesized on a solid substrate, such as plastic pins or some other surface. The peptide test compounds are reacted with BRCA1 polypeptide and washed. Bound BRCA1 polypeptide is then detected by methods well known in the art.

[0165] Purified BRCA1 can be coated directly onto plates for use in the aforementioned drug screening techniques. However, non-neutralizing antibodies to the polypeptide can be used to capture antibodies to immobilize the BRCA1 polypeptide on the solid phase.

[0166] This invention also contemplates the use of competitive drug screening assays in which neutralizing antibodies capable of specifically binding the BRCA1 polypeptide compete with a test compound for binding to the BRCA1 polypeptide or fragments thereof. In this manner, the antibodies can be used to detect the presence of any peptide which shares one or more antigenic determinants of the BRCA1 polypeptide.

[0167] A further technique for drug screening involves the use of host eukaryotic cell lines or cells (such as described above) which have a nonfunctional BRCA1 gene. These host cell lines or cells are defective at the BRCA1 polypeptide level. The host cell lines or cells are grown in the presence of drug compound. The rate of growth of the host cells is measured to determine if the compound is capable of regulating the growth of BRCA1 defective cells.

#### Methods of Use: Rational Drug Design

[0168] The goal of rational drug design is to produce structural analogs of biologically active polypeptides of interest or of small molecules with which they interact (e.g., agonists, antagonists, inhibitors) in order to fashion drugs which are, for example, more active or stable forms of the polypeptide, or which, e.g., enhance or interfere with the function of a polypeptide *in vivo*. See, e.g., Hodgson, 1991. In one approach, one first determines the three-dimensional structure of a protein of interest (e.g., BRCA1 polypeptide) or, for example, of the BRCA1-receptor or ligand complex, by x-ray crystallography, by computer modeling or most typically, by a combination of approaches. Less often, useful information regarding the structure of a polypeptide may be gained by modeling based on the structure of homologous proteins. An example of rational drug design is the development of HIV protease inhibitors (Erickson *et al.*, 1990). In addition, peptides (e.g., BRCA1 polypeptide) are analyzed by an alanine scan (Wells, 1991). In this technique, an amino acid residue is replaced by Ala, and its effect on the peptide's activity is determined. Each of the amino acid residues of the peptide is analyzed in this manner to determine the important regions of the peptide.

[0169] It is also possible to isolate a target-specific antibody, selected by a functional assay, and then to solve its crystal structure. In principle, this approach yields a pharmacore upon which subsequent drug design can be based. It is possible to bypass protein crystallography altogether by generating anti-idiotypic antibodies (anti-ids) to a functional, pharmacologically active antibody. As a mirror image of a mirror image, the binding site of the anti-ids would be expected to be an analog of the original receptor. The anti-id could then be used to identify and isolate peptides from banks of chemically or biologically produced banks of peptides. Selected peptides would then act as the pharmacore.

[0170] Thus, one may design drugs which have, e.g., improved BRCA1 polypeptide activity or stability or which act as inhibitors, agonists, antagonists, etc. of BRCA1 polypeptide activity. By virtue of the availability of cloned BRCA1 sequences, sufficient amounts of the BRCA1 polypeptide may be made available to perform such analytical studies as x-ray crystallography. In addition, the knowledge of the BRCA1 protein sequence provided herein will guide those employing computer modeling techniques in place of, or in addition to x-ray crystallography.

#### Methods of Use: Gene Therapy

[0171] According to the present invention, a method is also provided of supplying wild-type BRCA1 function to a cell which carries mutant BRCA1 alleles. Supplying such a function should suppress neoplastic growth of the recipient cells. The wild-type BRCA1 gene or a part of the gene may be introduced into the cell in a vector such that the gene remains extrachromosomal. In such a situation, the gene will be expressed by the cell from the extrachromosomal location. If a gene fragment is introduced and expressed in a cell carrying a mutant BRCA1 allele, the gene fragment should encode a part of the BRCA1 protein which is required for non-neoplastic growth of the cell. More preferred is the situation where the wild-type BRCA1 gene or a part thereof is introduced into the mutant cell in such a way that it recombines with the endogenous mutant BRCA1 gene present in the cell. Such recombination requires a double recombination event which results in the correction of the BRCA1 gene mutation. Vectors for introduction of genes both for recombination and for extrachromosomal maintenance are known in the art, and any suitable vector may be used. Methods for introducing DNA into cells such as electroporation, calcium phosphate co-precipitation and viral transduction are known in the art, and the choice of method is within the competence of the routineer. Cells transformed with the wild-type BRCA1 gene can be used as model systems to study cancer remission and drug treatments which promote such remission.

[0172] As generally discussed above, the BRCA1 gene or fragment, where applicable, may be employed in gene therapy methods in order to increase the amount of the expression products of such genes in cancer cells. Such gene therapy is particularly appropriate for use in both cancerous and pre-cancerous cells, in which the level of BRCA1 polypeptide is absent or diminished compared to normal cells. It may also be useful to increase the level of expression of a given BRCA1 gene even in those tumor cells in which the mutant gene is expressed at a "normal" level, but the

gene product is not fully functional.

[0173] Gene therapy would be carried out according to generally accepted methods, for example, as described by Friedman, 1991. Cells from a patient's tumor would be first analyzed by the diagnostic methods described above, to ascertain the production of BRCA1 polypeptide in the tumor cells. A virus or plasmid vector (see further details below), containing a copy of the BRCA1 gene linked to expression control elements and capable of replicating inside the tumor cells, is prepared. Suitable vectors are known, such as disclosed in U.S. Patent 5,252,479 and PCT published application WO 93/07282. The vector is then injected into the patient, either locally at the site of the tumor or systemically (in order to reach any tumor cells that may have metastasized to other sites). If the transfected gene is not permanently incorporated into the genome of each of the targeted tumor cells, the treatment may have to be repeated periodically.

[0174] Gene transfer systems known in the art may be useful in the practice of the gene therapy methods of the present invention. These include viral and nonviral transfer methods. A number of viruses have been used as gene transfer vectors, including papovaviruses, e.g., SV40 (Madzak *et al.*, 1992), adenovirus (Berkner, 1992; Berkner *et al.*, 1988; Gorziglia and Kapikian, 1992; Quantin *et al.*, 1992; Rosenfeld *et al.*, 1992; Wilkinson *et al.*, 1992; Stratford-Perricaudet *et al.*, 1990), vaccinia virus (Moss, 1992), adeno-associated virus (Muzyczka, 1992; Ohi *et al.*, 1990), herpesviruses including HSV and EBV (Margolskee, 1992; Johnson *et al.*, 1992; Fink *et al.*, 1992; Breakfield and Geller, 1987; Freese *et al.*, 1990), and retroviruses of avian (Brandyopadhyay and Temin, 1984; Petropoulos *et al.*, 1992), murine (Miller, 1992; Miller *et al.*, 1985; Sorge *et al.*, 1984; Mann and Baltimore, 1985; Miller *et al.*, 1988), and human origin (Shimada *et al.*, 1991; Helseth *et al.*, 1990; Page *et al.*, 1990; Buchschacher and Panganiban, 1992). Most human gene therapy protocols have been based on disabled murine retroviruses.

[0175] Nonviral gene transfer methods known in the art include chemical techniques such as calcium phosphate coprecipitation (Graham and van der Eb, 1973; Pellicer *et al.*, 1980); mechanical techniques, for example microinjection (Anderson *et al.*, 1980; Gordon *et al.*, 1980; Brinster *et al.*, 1981; Constantini and Lacy, 1981); membrane fusion-mediated transfer via liposomes (Felgner *et al.*, 1987; Wang and Huang, 1989; Kaneda *et al.*, 1989; Stewart *et al.*, 1992; Nabel *et al.*, 1990; Lim *et al.*, 1992); and direct DNA uptake and receptor-mediated DNA transfer (Wolff *et al.*, 1990; Wu *et al.*, 1991; Zenke *et al.*, 1990; Wu *et al.*, 1989b; Wolff *et al.*, 1991; Wagner *et al.*, 1990; Wagner *et al.*, 1991; Cotten *et al.*, 1990; Curiel *et al.*, 1991a; Curiel *et al.*, 1991b). Viral-mediated gene transfer can be combined with direct *in vivo* gene transfer using liposome delivery, allowing one to direct the viral vectors to the tumor cells and not into the surrounding nondividing cells. Alternatively, the retroviral vector producer cell line can be injected into tumors (Culver *et al.*, 1992). Injection of producer cells would then provide a continuous source of vector particles. This technique has been approved for use in humans with inoperable brain tumors.

[0176] In an approach which combines biological and physical gene transfer methods, plasmid DNA of any size is combined with a polylysine-conjugated antibody specific to the adenovirus hexon protein, and the resulting complex is bound to an adenovirus vector. The trimolecular complex is then used to infect cells. The adenovirus vector permits efficient binding, internalization, and degradation of the endosome before the coupled DNA is damaged.

[0177] Liposome/DNA complexes have been shown to be capable of mediating direct *in vivo* gene transfer. While in standard liposome preparations the gene transfer process is nonspecific, localized *in vivo* uptake and expression have been reported in tumor deposits, for example, following direct *in situ* administration (Nabel, 1992).

[0178] Gene transfer techniques which target DNA directly to breast and ovarian tissues, e.g., epithelial cells of the breast or ovaries, is preferred. Receptor-mediated gene transfer, for example, is accomplished by the conjugation of DNA (usually in the form of covalently closed supercoiled plasmid) to a protein ligand via polylysine. Ligands are chosen on the basis of the presence of the corresponding ligand receptors on the cell surface of the target cell/tissue type. One appropriate receptor/ligand pair may include the estrogen receptor and its ligand, estrogen (and estrogen analogues). These ligand-DNA conjugates can be injected directly into the blood if desired and are directed to the target tissue where receptor binding and internalization of the DNA-protein complex occurs. To overcome the problem of intracellular destruction of DNA, coinfection with adenovirus can be included to disrupt endosome function.

[0179] The therapy involves two steps which can be performed singly or jointly. In the first step, prepubescent females who carry a BRCA1 susceptibility allele are treated with a gene delivery vehicle such that some or all of their mammary ductal epithelial precursor cells receive at least one additional copy of a functional normal BRCA1 allele. In this step, the treated individuals have reduced risk of breast cancer to the extent that the effect of the susceptible allele has been countered by the presence of the normal allele. In the second step of a preventive therapy, predisposed young females, in particular women who have received the proposed gene therapeutic treatment, undergo hormonal therapy to mimic the effects on the breast of a full term pregnancy.

#### Methods of Use: Peptide Therapy

[0180] Peptides which have BRCA1 activity can be supplied to cells which carry mutant or missing BRCA1 alleles. The sequence of the BRCA1 protein is disclosed (SEQ ID NO:2). Protein can be produced by expression of the cDNA sequence in bacteria, for example, using known expression vectors. Alternatively, BRCA1 polypeptide can be extracted

from BRCA1-producing mammalian cells. In addition, the techniques of synthetic chemistry can be employed to synthesize BRCA1 protein. Any of such techniques can provide the preparation of the present invention which comprises the BRCA1 protein. The preparation is substantially free of other human proteins. This is most readily accomplished by synthesis in a microorganism or *in vitro*.

**[0181]** Active BRCA1 molecules can be introduced into cells by microinjection or by use of liposomes, for example. Alternatively, some active molecules may be taken up by cells, actively or by diffusion. Extracellular application of the BRCA1 gene product may be sufficient to affect tumor growth. Supply of molecules with BRCA1 activity should lead to partial reversal of the neoplastic state. Other molecules with BRCA1 activity (for example, peptides, drugs or organic compounds) may also be used to effect such a reversal. Modified polypeptides having substantially similar function are also used for peptide therapy.

#### Methods of Use: Transformed Hosts

**[0182]** Similarly, cells and animals which carry a mutant BRCA1 allele can be used as model systems to study and test for substances which have potential as therapeutic agents. The cells are typically cultured epithelial cells. These may be isolated from individuals with BRCA1 mutations, either somatic or germline. Alternatively, the cell line can be engineered to carry the mutation in the BRCA1 allele, as described above. After a test substance is applied to the cells, the neoplastically transformed phenotype of the cell is determined. Any trait of neoplastically transformed cells can be assessed, including anchorage-independent growth, tumorigenicity in nude mice, invasiveness of cells, and growth factor dependence. Assays for each of these traits are known in the art.

**[0183]** Animals for testing therapeutic agents can be selected after mutagenesis of whole animals or after treatment of germline cells or zygotes. Such treatments include insertion of mutant BRCA1 alleles, usually from a second animal species, as well as insertion of disrupted homologous genes. Alternatively, the endogenous BRCA1 gene(s) of the animals may be disrupted by insertion or deletion mutation or other genetic alterations using conventional techniques (Capecci, 1989; Valancius and Smithies, 1991; Hasty *et al.*, 1991; Shinkai *et al.*, 1992; Mombaerts *et al.*, 1992; Philpott *et al.*, 1992; Snouwaert *et al.*, 1992; Donehower *et al.*, 1992). After test substances have been administered to the animals, the growth of tumors must be assessed. If the test substance prevents or suppresses the growth of tumors, then the test substance is a candidate therapeutic agent for the treatment of the cancers identified herein. These animal models provide an extremely important testing vehicle for potential therapeutic products.

**[0184]** The present invention is described by reference to the following Examples, which are offered by way of illustration and are not intended to limit the invention in any manner. Standard techniques well known in the art or the techniques specifically described below were utilized.

#### EXAMPLE 1

##### Ascertain and Study Kindreds Likely to Have a 17q-Linked Breast Cancer Susceptibility Locus

**[0185]** Extensive cancer prone kindreds were ascertained from a defined population providing a large set of extended kindreds with multiple cases of breast cancer and many relatives available to study. The large number of meioses present in these large kindreds provided the power to detect whether the BRCA1 locus was segregating, and increased the opportunity for informative recombinants to occur within the small region being investigated. This vastly improved the chances of establishing linkage to the BRCA1 region, and greatly facilitated the reduction of the BRCA1 region to a manageable size, which permits identification of the BRCA1 locus itself.

**[0186]** Each kindred was extended through all available connecting relatives, and to all informative first degree relatives of each proband or cancer case. For these kindreds, additional breast cancer cases and individuals with cancer at other sites of interest (e.g. ovarian) who also appeared in the kindreds were identified through the tumor registry linked files. All breast cancers reported in the kindred which were not confirmed in the Utah Cancer Registry were researched. Medical records or death certificates were obtained for confirmation of all cancers. Each key connecting individual and all informative individuals were invited to participate by providing a blood sample from which DNA was extracted. We also sampled spouses and relatives of deceased cases so that the genotype of the deceased cases could be inferred from the genotypes of their relatives.

**[0187]** Ten kindreds which had three or more cancer cases with inferable genotypes were selected for linkage studies to 17q markers from a set of 29 kindreds originally ascertained from the linked databases for a study of proliferative breast disease and breast cancer (Skolnick *et al.*, 1990). The criterion for selection of these kindreds was the presence of two sisters or a mother and her daughter with breast cancer. Additionally, two kindreds which have been studied since 1980 as part of our breast cancer linkage studies (K1001, K9018), six kindreds ascertained from the linked databases for the presence of clusters of breast and/or ovarian cancer (K2019, K2073, K2079, K2080, K2039, K2082) and a self-referred kindred with early onset breast cancer (K2035) were included. These kindreds were investigated



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and expanded in our clinic in the manner described above. Table 1 displays the characteristics of these 19 kindreds which are the subject of subsequent examples. In Table 1, for each kindred the total number of individuals in our database, the number of typed individuals, and the minimum, median, and maximum age at diagnosis of breast/ovarian cancer are reported. Kindreds are sorted in ascending order of median age at diagnosis of breast cancer. Four women diagnosed with both ovarian and breast cancer are counted in both categories.

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EXAMPLE 2Selection of Kindreds Which are Linked to Chromosome 17q and Localization of BRCA1 to the Interval Mfd15 - Mfd188

[0188] For each sample collected in these 19 kindreds, DNA was extracted from blood (or in two cases from paraffin-embedded tissue blocks) using standard laboratory protocols. Genotyping in this study was restricted to short tandem repeat (STR) markers since, in general, they have high heterozygosity and PCR methods offer rapid turnaround while using very small amounts of DNA. To aid in this effort, four such STR markers on chromosome 17 were developed by screening a chromosome specific cosmid library for CA positive clones. Three of these markers localized to the long arm: (46E6, Easton *et al.*, 1993); (42D6, Easton *et al.*, 1993); 26C2 (D17S514, Oliphant *et al.*, 1991), while the other, 12G6 (D17S513, Oliphant *et al.*, 1991), localized to the short arm near the p53 tumor suppressor locus. Two of these, 42D6 and 46E6, were submitted to the Breast Cancer Linkage Consortium for typing of breast cancer families by investigators worldwide. Oligonucleotide sequences for markers not developed in our laboratory were obtained from published reports, or as part of the Breast Cancer Linkage Consortium, or from other investigators. All genotyping films were scored blindly with a standard lane marker used to maintain consistent coding of alleles. Key samples in the four kindreds presented here underwent duplicate typing for all relevant markers. All 19 kindreds have been typed for two polymorphic CA repeat markers: 42D6 (D17S588), a CA repeat isolated in our laboratory, and Mfd15 (D17S250), a CA repeat provided by J. Weber (Weber *et al.*, 1990). Several sources of probes were used to create genetic markers on chromosome 17, specifically chromosome 17 cosmid and lambda phage libraries created from sorted chromosomes by the Los Alamos National Laboratories (van Dilla *et al.*, 1986).

[0189] LOD scores for each kindred with these two markers (42D6, Mfd15) and a third marker, Mfd188 (D17S579, Hall *et al.*, 1992), located roughly midway between these two markers, were calculated for two values of the recombination fraction, 0.001 and 0.1. (For calculation of LOD scores, see Oh, 1985). Likelihoods were computed under the model derived by Claus *et al.*, 1991, which assumes an estimated gene frequency of 0.003, a lifetime risk in gene carriers of about 0.80, and population based age-specific risks for breast cancer in non-gene carriers. Allele frequencies for the three markers used for the LOD score calculations were calculated from our own laboratory typings of unrelated individuals in the CEPH panel (White and Lalouel, 1988). Table 2 shows the results of the pairwise linkage analysis of each kindred with the three markers 42D6, Mfd188, and Mfd15.

TABLE 2  
Pairwise Linkage Analysis of Kindreds

KINDRED	Mfd15 (D17S250) Recombination	Mfd188 (D17S579) Recombination	42D6 (D17S588) Recombination
1910	0.001	0.001	0.001
1001	0.30	0.30	0.30
2035	-0.09	NT	-0.52
2027	2.34	0.94	2.34
9018	1.85	0.90	1.82
1925	-1.22	-0.42	-1.16
1927	-0.33	-0.10	-0.33
	-0.54	-0.17	0.11
	1.08	0.38	-0.11
	-0.41	0.07	-0.07
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1911	-0.27	-0.23	0.49
1929	-0.49	NT	-0.49
1901	1.50	0.57	0.65
2082	4.25	5.11	2.00
2019	-0.10	-0.05	-0.18
1900	-0.14	NT	-0.12
2080	-0.16	0.74	-1.25
2073	-0.41	0.49	-0.23
1917	-0.02	NT	-0.01
1920	-0.03	NT	0.00
2079	0.02	-0.01	0.01
2039	-1.67	0.59	-1.15

NT - Kindred not typed for Mfd188.

Using a criterion for linkage to 17q of a LOD score > 1.0 for at least one locus under the CASH model (Claus *et al.*, 1991), four of the 19 kindreds appeared to be linked to 17q (K1901, K1925, K2035, K2082). A number of additional

kindreds showed some evidence of linkage but at this time could not be definitively assigned to the linked category. These included kindreds K1911, K2073, K2039, and K2080. Three of the 17q-linked kindreds had informative recombinants in this region and these are detailed below.

**[0190]** Kindred 2082 is the largest 17q-linked breast cancer family reported to date by any group. The kindred contains 20 cases of breast cancer, and ten cases of ovarian cancer. Two cases have both ovarian and breast cancer. The evidence of linkage to 17q for this family is overwhelming; the LOD score with the linked haplotype is over 6.0, despite the existence of three cases of breast cancer which appear to be sporadic, i.e., these cases share no part of the linked haplotype between Mfd15 and 42D6. These three sporadic cases were diagnosed with breast cancer at ages 46, 47, and 54. In smaller kindreds, sporadic cancers of this type greatly confound the analysis of linkage and the correct identification of key recombinants. The key recombinant in the 2082 kindred is a woman who developed ovarian cancer at age 45 whose mother and aunt had ovarian cancer at ages 58 and 66, respectively. She inherited the linked portion of the haplotype for both Mfd188 and 42D6 while inheriting unlinked alleles at Mfd15; this recombinant event placed BRCA1 distal to Mfd15.

**[0191]** K1901 is typical of early-onset breast cancer kindreds. The kindred contains 10 cases of breast cancer with a median age at diagnosis of 43.5 years of age; four cases were diagnosed under age 40. The LOD score for this kindred with the marker 42D6 is 1.5, resulting in a posterior probability of 17q-linkage of 0.96. Examination of haplotypes in this kindred identified a recombinant haplotype in an obligate male carrier and his affected daughter who was diagnosed with breast cancer at age 45. Their linked allele for marker Mfd15 differs from that found in all other cases in the kindred (except one case which could not be completely inferred from her children). The two haplotypes are identical for Mfd188 and 42D6. Accordingly, data from Kindred 1901 would also place the BRCA1 locus distal to Mfd15.

**[0192]** Kindred 2035 is similar to K1901 in disease phenotype. The median age of diagnosis for the eight cases of breast cancer in this kindred is 37. One case also had ovarian cancer at age 60. The breast cancer cases in this family descend from two sisters who were both unaffected with breast cancer until their death in the eighth decade. Each branch contains four cases of breast cancer with at least one case in each branch having markedly early onset. This kindred has a LOD score of 2.34 with Mfd15. The haplotypes segregating with breast cancer in the two branches share an identical allele at Mfd15 but differ for the distal loci Mfd188 and NM23 (a marker typed as part of the consortium which is located just distal to 42D6 (Hall *et al.*, 1992)). Although the two haplotypes are concordant for marker 42D6, it is likely that the alleles are shared identical by state (the same allele but derived from different ancestors), rather than identical by descent (derived from a common ancestor) since the shared allele is the second most common allele observed at this locus. By contrast the linked allele shared at Mfd15 has a frequency of 0.04. This is a key recombinant in our dataset as it is the sole recombinant in which BRCA1 segregated with the proximal portion of the haplotype, thus setting the distal boundary to the BRCA1 region. For this event not to be a key recombinant requires that a second mutant BRCA1 gene be present in a spouse marrying into the kindred who also shares the rare Mfd15 allele segregating with breast cancer in both branches of the kindred. This event has a probability of less than one in a thousand. The evidence from this kindred therefore placed the BRCA1 locus proximal to Mfd188.

### EXAMPLE 3

#### Creation of a Fine Structure Map and Refinement of the BRCA1 Region to Mfd191-Mfd188 using Additional STR Polymorphisms

**[0193]** In order to improve the characterization of our recombinants and define closer flanking markers, a dense map of this relatively small region on chromosome 17q was required. The chromosome 17 workshop has produced a consensus map of this region (Figure 1) based on a combination of genetic and physical mapping studies (Fain, 1992). This map contains both highly polymorphic STR polymorphisms, and a number of nonpolymorphic expressed genes. Because this map did not give details on the evidence for this order nor give any measure of local support for inversions in the order of adjacent loci, we viewed it as a rough guide for obtaining resources to be used for the development of new markers and construction of our own detailed genetic and physical map of a small region containing BRCA1. Our approach was to analyze existing STR markers provided by other investigators and any newly developed markers from our laboratory with respect to both a panel of meiotic (genetic) breakpoints identified using DNA from the CEPH reference families and a panel of somatic cell hybrids (physical breakpoints) constructed for this region. These markers included 26C2 developed in our laboratory which maps proximal to Mfd15, Mfd191 (provided by James Weber), THRA1 (Futreal *et al.*, 1992a), and three polymorphisms kindly provided to us by Dr. Donald Black, NM23 (Hall *et al.* 1992), SCG40 (D17S181), and 6C1 (D17S293).

**[0194]** Genetic localization of markers. In order to localize new markers genetically within the region of interest, we have identified a number of key meiotic breakpoints within the region, both in the CEPH reference panel and in our large breast cancer kindred (K2082). Given the small genetic distance in this region, they are likely to be only a relatively small set of recombinants which can be used for this purpose, and they are likely to group markers into sets. The orders

of the markers within each set can only be determined by physical mapping. However the number of genotypings necessary to position a new marker is minimized. These breakpoints are illustrated in Tables 3 and 4. Using this approach we were able to genetically order the markers THRA1, 6C1, SCG40, and Mfd191. As can be seen from Tables 3 and 4, THRA1 and MFD191 both map inside the Mfd15-Mfd188 region we had previously identified as containing the BRCA1 locus. In Tables 3 and 4, M/P indicates a maternal or paternal recombinant. A "1" indicates inherited allele is of grandpaternal origin, while a "0" indicates grandmaternal origin, and "-" indicates that the locus was untyped or uninformative.

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TABLE 3  
CEPH Recombinants

Family	ID	M/P	Mfd15	THRA1	Mfd191	Mfd188	SCG40	6C1	42D6
13292	4	M	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
13294	4	M	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
13294	6	M	0	0	1	1	-	-	-
1334	3	M	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
1333	4	M	1	1	1	0	-	-	0
1333	6	M	0	0	1	1	-	-	1
1333	8	P	1	0	0	0	-	-	0
1377	8	M	0	-	0	0	0	0	1

TABLE 4  
Kindred 2082 Recombinants

Family	ID	M/P	Mfd15	Mfd191	Mfd188	SCG40	6C1	42D6
75		M	0	1	1	1	-	-
63		M	0	0	1	1	-	1
125		M	1	1	1	0	-	0
40		M	1	1	0	0	-	0



[0195] Analysis of markers Mfd15, Mfd188, Mfd191, and THRA1 in our recombinant families. Mfd15, Mfd188, Mfd191 and THRA1 were typed in our recombinant families and examined for additional information to localize the BRCA1 locus. In kindred 1901, the Mfd15 recombinant was recombinant for THRA1 but uninformative for Mfd191, thus placing BRCA1 distal to THRA1. In K2082, the recombinant with Mfd15 also was recombinant with Mfd191, thus placing the BRCA1 locus distal to Mfd191 (Goldgar *et al.*, 1994). Examination of THRA1 and Mfd191 in kindred K2035 yielded no further localization information as the two branches were concordant for both markers. However, SCG40 and 6C1 both displayed the same pattern as Mfd188, thus increasing our confidence in the localization information provided by the Mfd188 recombinant in this family. The BRCA1 locus, or at least a portion of it, therefore lies within an interval bounded by Mfd191 on the proximal side and Mfd188 on the distal side.

#### EXAMPLE 4

##### Development of Genetic and Physical Resources in the Region of Interest

[0196] To increase the number of highly polymorphic loci in the Mfd191-Mfd188 region, we developed a number of STR markers in our laboratory from cosmids and YACs which physically map to the region. These markers allowed us to further refine the region.

[0197] STSs were identified from genes known to be in the desired region to identify YACs which contained these loci, which were then used to identify subclones in cosmids, P1s or BACs. These subclones were then screened for the presence of a CA tandem repeat using a (CA)<sub>n</sub> oligonucleotide (Pharmacia). Clones with a strong signal were selected preferentially, since they were more likely to represent CA-repeats which have a large number of repeats and/or are of near-perfect fidelity to the (CA)<sub>n</sub> pattern. Both of these characteristics are known to increase the probability of polymorphism (Weber, 1990). These clones were sequenced directly from the vector to locate the repeat. We obtained a unique sequence on one side of the CA-repeat by using one of a set of possible primers complementary to the end of a CA-repeat, such as (GT)<sub>10</sub>T. Based on this unique sequence, a primer was made to sequence back across the repeat in the other direction, yielding a unique sequence for design of a second primer flanking the CA-repeat. STRs were then screened for polymorphism on a small group of unrelated individuals and tested against the hybrid panel to confirm their physical localization. New markers which satisfied these criteria were then typed in a set of 40 unrelated individuals from the Utah and CEPH families to obtain allele frequencies appropriate for the study population. Many of the other markers reported in this study were tested in a smaller group of CEPH unrelated individuals to obtain similarly appropriate allele frequencies.

[0198] Using the procedure described above, a total of eight polymorphic STRs was found from these YACS. Of the loci identified in this manner, four were both polymorphic and localized to the BRCA1 region. Four markers did not localize to chromosome 17, reflecting the chimeric nature of the YACs used. The four markers which were in the region were denoted AA1, ED2, 4-7, and YM29. AA1 and ED2 were developed from YACs positive for the RNU2 gene, 4-7 from an EPB3 YAC and YM29 from a cosmid which localized to the region by the hybrid panel. A description of the number of alleles, heterozygosity and source of these four and all other STR polymorphisms analyzed in the breast cancer kindreds is given below in Table 5.

TABLE 5

Polymorphic Short Tandem Repeat Markers Used  
for Fine Structure Mapping of the BRCA1 Locus

Clone	Gene	Na**	Hetero- zygosity	Allele Frequency (%)					
				1	2	3	4	5	6
Mfd15	D17S250	10	0.82	26	22	15	7	7	23
THRA1	THRA1	5							
Mfd191	D17S776	7	0.55	48	20	11	7	7	7
ED2	D17S1327	12	0.55	62	9	8	5	5	11
AA1	D17S1326	7	0.83	28	28	25	8	6	5
CA375	D17S184	10	0.75	26	15	11	9	9	20
4-7	D17S1183	9	0.50	63	15	8	6	4	4
YM29	- - -	9	0.62	42	24	12	7	7	8
Mfd188	D17S579	12	0.92	33	18	8	8	8	25
SCG40	D17S181	14	0.90	20	18	18	10	8	35
42D6	D17S588	11	0.86	21	17	11	10	9	32
6C1	D17S293	7	0.75	30	30	11	11	9	9
Z109	D17S750	9	0.70	33	27	7	7	7	19
tdj1475	D17S1321	13	0.84	21	16	11	11	8	33
CF4	D17S1320	6	0.63	50	27	9	7	4	3
tdj1239	D17S1328	10	0.80	86	10	9	7	4	14
U5	D17S1325	13	0.83	19	16	12	10	9	34

\* Allele codes 1-5 are listed in decreasing frequency; allele numbers do not correspond to fragment sizes. Allele 6 frequency is the joint frequency of all other alleles for each locus.

\*\* Number of alleles seen in the genetically independent DNA samples used for calculating allele frequencies.

[0199] The four STR polymorphisms which mapped physically to the region (4-7, ED2, AA1, YM29) were analyzed in the meiotic, breakpoint panel shown initially in Tables 3 and 4. Tables 6 and 7 contain the relevant CEPH data and Kindred 2082 data for localization of these four markers. In the tables, M/P indicates a maternal or paternal recombinant. A "1" indicates inherited allele is of grandpaternal origin, while a "0" indicates grandmaternal origin, and "-" indicates that the locus was untyped or uninformative.

**TABLE 6**  
**Key Recombinants Used for Genetic**  
**Ordering of New STR Loci Developed in**  
**Our Laboratory Within the BRCA1 Region of 17q**

CEPH Family	ID	M/P	Mfd15	THRA1	Mfd191	ED2	AA1	Z102	4-7	YM29	Mfd188	SCG40	42D6
13292	4	M	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
13294	4	M	1	0	0	-	0	-	-	-	0	-	-
13294	6	M	0	0	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
1333	4	M	1	1	1	-	0	-	-	0	0	-	0
1333	6	M	0	0	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1
1333	3	M	0	0	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1

TABLE 7

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from the genetic recombinant analysis. Although ordering loci with respect to hybrids which are known to contain "holes" in which small pieces of interstitial human DNA may be missing is problematic, the hybrid patterns indicate that 4-7 lies above both YM29 and Mfd188.

## 5 EXAMPLE 5

### Genetic Analyses of Breast Cancer Kindreds with Markers AA1, 4-7, ED2, and YM29

10 **[0200]** In addition to the three kindreds containing key recombinants which have been discussed previously, kindred K2039 was shown through analysis of the newly developed STR markers to be linked to the region and to contain a useful recombinant.

15 **[0201]** Table 8 defines the haplotypes (shown in coded form) of the kindreds in terms of specific marker alleles at each locus and their respective frequencies. In Table 8, alleles are listed in descending order of frequency; frequencies of alleles 1-5 for each locus are given in Table 5. Haplotypes coded H are BRCA1 associated haplotypes, P designates a partial H haplotype, and an R indicates an observable recombinant haplotype. As evident in Table 8, not all kindreds were typed for all markers; moreover, not all individuals within a kindred were typed for an identical set of markers, especially in K2082. With one exception, only haplotypes inherited from affected or at-risk kindred members are shown; haplotypes from spouses marrying into the kindred are not described. Thus in a given sibship, the appearance of haplotypes X and Y indicates that both haplotypes from the affected/at-risk individual were seen and neither was a  
20 breast cancer associated haplotype.

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**TABLE 8**  
Breast Cancer Linked Haplotypes  
Found in the Three Kindreds

Kin.	HAP	Mfd 15	THRA1	Mfd 191	tdj 1475	ED2	AA1	Z109	CA375	4-7	YM29	Mfd 188	SCG40	6C1	42D6
1901	H1	1	5	5	3	1	4	NI	NI	1	1	3	NI	NI	1
	R2	9	2	5	6	1	4	NI	NI	1	1	3	NI	NI	1
2082	H1	3	NI	4	6	6	1	NI	NI	2	1	4	2	NI	1
	P1	3	NI	4	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	4	2	NI	1
	P2	3	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI	4	NI	NI	NI
	R1	6	NI	1	5	6	1	NI	NI	2	1	4	2	NI	1
	R2	6	NI	4	6	6	1	NI	NI	2	1	4	2	NI	1
	R3	3	NI	4	NI	6	1	NI	NI	2	1	4	1	NI	7
	R4	7	NI	1	NI	1	5	NI	NI	4	6	1	2	NI	1
2035	H1	8	2	1	NI	5	1	1	4	3	1	6	8	2	4
	H2	8	2	1	NI	5	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	1	4
	R2	8	2	1	NI	5	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	6	1

**[0202]** In kindred K1901, the new markers showed no observable recombination with breast cancer susceptibility, indicating that the recombination event in this kindred most likely took place between THRA1 and ED2. Thus, no new BRCA1 localization information was obtained based upon studying the four new markers in this kindred. In kindred 2082 the key recombinant individual has inherited the linked alleles for ED2, 4-7, AA1, and YM29, and was recombinant for tdj1474 indicating that the recombination event occurred in this individual between tdj 1474 and ED2/AA1.

**[0203]** There are three haplotypes of interest in kindred K2035, H1, H2, and R2 shown in Table 8. H1 is present in the four cases and one obligate male carrier descendant from individual 17 while H2 is present or inferred in two cases and two obligate male carriers in descendants of individual 10. R2 is identical to H2 for loci between and including

Mfd15 and SCG40, but has recombined between SCG40 and 42D6. Since we have established that BRCA1 is proximal to 42D6, this H2/R2 difference adds no further localization information. H1 and R2 share an identical allele at Mfd15, THRA1, AA1, and ED2 but differ for loci presumed distal to ED2, i.e., 4-7, Mfd188, SCG40, and 6C1. Although the two haplotypes are concordant for the 5th allele for marker YM29, a marker which maps physically between 4-7 and Mfd188, it is likely that the alleles are shared identical by state rather than identical by descent since this allele is the most common allele at this locus with a frequency estimated in CEPH parents of 0.42. By contrast, the linked alleles shared at the Mfd15 and ED2 loci have frequencies of 0.04 and 0.09, respectively. They also share more common alleles at Mfd191 (frequency = 0.52), THRA1, and AA1 (frequency = 0.28). This is the key recombinant in the set as it is the sole recombinant in which breast cancer segregated with the proximal portion of the haplotype, thus setting the distal boundary. The evidence from this kindred therefore places the BRCA1 locus proximal to 4-7.

**[0204]** The recombination event in kindred 2082 which places BRCA1 distal to tdj 1474 is the only one of the four events described which can be directly inferred; that is, the affected mother's genotype can be inferred from her spouse and offspring, and the recombinant haplotype can be seen in her affected daughter. In this family the odds in favor of affected individuals carrying BRCA1 susceptibility alleles are extremely high; the only possible interpretations of the data are that BRCA1 is distal to Mfd191 or alternatively that the purported recombinant is a sporadic case of ovarian cancer at age 44. Rather than a directly observable or inferred recombinant, interpretation of kindred 2035 depends on the observation of distinct 17q-haplotypes segregating in different and sometimes distantly related branches of the kindred. The observation that portions of these haplotypes have alleles in common for some markers while they differ at other markers places the BRCA1 locus in the shared region. The confidence in this placement depends on several factors: the relationship between the individuals carrying the respective haplotypes, the frequency of the shared allele, the certainty with which the haplotypes can be shown to segregate with the BRCA1 locus, and the density of the markers in the region which define the haplotype. In the case of kindred 2035, the two branches are closely related, and each branch has a number of early onset cases which carry the respective haplotype. While two of the shared alleles are common, (Mfd191, THRA1), the estimated frequencies of the shared alleles at Mfd15, AA1, and ED2 are 0.04, 0.28, and 0.09, respectively. It is therefore highly likely that these alleles are identical by descent (derived from a common ancestor) rather than identical by state (the same allele but derived from the general population).

#### EXAMPLE 6

##### Refined Physical Mapping Studies Place the BRCA1 Gene in a Region Flanked by tdj1474 and U5R

**[0205]** Since its initial localization to chromosome 17q in 1990 (Hall *et al.*, 1990) a great deal of effort has gone into localizing the BRCA1 gene to a region small enough to allow implementation of effective positional cloning strategies to isolate the gene. The BRCA1 locus was first localized to the interval Mfd15 (D17S250) - 42D6 (D17S588) by multipoint linkage analysis (Easton *et al.*, 1993) in the collaborative Breast Cancer Linkage Consortium dataset consisting of 214 families collected worldwide. Subsequent refinements of the localization have been based upon individual recombinant events in specific families. The region THRA1 - D17S183 was defined by Bowcock *et al.*, 1993; and the region THRA1 - D17S78 was defined by Simard *et al.*, 1993.

**[0206]** We further showed that the BRCA1 locus must lie distal to the marker Mfd191 (D17S776) (Goldgar *et al.*, 1994). This marker is known to lie distal to THRA1 and FARA. The smallest published region for the BRCA1 locus is thus between D17S776 and D17S78. This region still contains approximately 1.5 million bases of DNA, making the isolation and testing of all genes in the region a very difficult task. We have therefore undertaken the tasks of constructing a physical map of the region, isolating a set of polymorphic STR markers located in the region, and analyzing these new markers in a set of informative families to refine the location of the BRCA1 gene to a manageable interval.

**[0207]** Four families provide important genetic evidence for localization of BRCA1 to a sufficiently small region for the application of positional cloning strategies. Two families (K2082, K1901) provide data relating to the proximal boundary for BRCA1 and the other two (K2035, K1813) fix the distal boundary. These families are discussed in detail below. A total of 15 Short Tandem Repeat markers assayable by PCR were used to refine this localization in the families studied. These markers include DS17S7654, DS17S975, tdj1474, and tdj1239. Primer sequences for these markers are provided in SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:4 for DS17S754; in SEQ ID NO:5 and SEQ ID NO:6 for DS17S975; in SEQ ID NO:7 and SEQ ID NO:8 for tdj1474; and, in SEQ ID NO:9 and SEQ ID NO:10 for tdj1239.

##### Kindred 2082

**[0208]** Kindred 2082 is the largest BRCA1-linked breast/ovarian cancer family studied to date. It has a LOD score of 8.6, providing unequivocal evidence for 17q linkage. This family has been previously described and shown to contain a critical recombinant placing BRCA1 distal to MFD191 (D17S776). This recombinant occurred in a woman diagnosed with ovarian cancer at age 45 whose mother had ovarian cancer at age 63. The affected mother was deceased; how-

ever, from her children, she could be inferred to have the linked haplotype present in the 30 other linked cases in the family in the region between Mfd15 and Mfd188. Her affected daughter received the linked allele at the loci ED2, 4-7, and Mfd188, but received the allele on the non-BRCA1 chromosome at Mfd15 and Mfd191. In order to further localize this recombination breakpoint, we tested the key members of this family for the following markers derived from physical mapping resources: tdj1474, tdj1239, CF4, D17S855. For the markers tdj1474 and CF4, the affected daughter did not receive the linked allele. For the STR locus tdj1239, however, the mother could be inferred to be informative and her daughter did receive the BRCA1-associated allele. D17S855 was not informative in this family. Based on this analysis, the order is 17q centromere - Mfd191 - 17HSD - CF4 - tdj1474 - tdj1239 - D17S855 - ED2 - 4-7 - Mfd188 - 17q telomere. The recombinant described above therefore places BRCA1 distal to tdj1474, and the breakpoint is localized to the interval between tdj1474 and tdj1239. The only alternative explanation for the data in this family other than that of BRCA1 being located distal to tdj1474, is that the ovarian cancer present in the recombinant individual is caused by reasons independent of the BRCA1 gene. Given that ovarian cancer diagnosed before age 50 is rare, this alternate explanation is exceedingly unlikely.

#### Kindred 1901

**[0209]** Kindred 1901 is an early-onset breast cancer family with 7 cases of breast cancer diagnosed before 50, 4 of which were diagnosed before age 40. In addition, there were three cases of breast cancer diagnosed between the ages of 50 and 70. One case of breast cancer also had ovarian cancer at age 61. This family currently has a LOD score of 1.5 with D17S855. Given this linkage evidence and the presence of at least one ovarian cancer case, this family has a posterior probability of being due to BRCA1 of over 0.99. In this family, the recombination comes from the fact that an individual who is the brother of the ovarian cancer case from which the majority of the other cases descend, only shares a portion of the haplotype which is cosegregating with the other cases in the family. However, he passed this partial haplotype to his daughter who developed breast cancer at age 44. If this case is due to the BRCA1 gene, then only the part of the haplotype shared between this brother and his sister can contain the BRCA1 gene. The difficulty in interpretation of this kind of information is that while one can be sure of the markers which are not shared and therefore recombinant, markers which are concordant can either be shared because they are non-recombinant, or because their parent was homozygous. Without the parental genotypic data it is impossible to discriminate between these alternatives. Inspection of the haplotype in K1901, shows that he does not share the linked allele at Mfd15 (D17S250), THRA1, CF4 (D17S1320), and tdj1474 (D17S1321). He does share the linked allele at Mfd191 (D17S776), ED2 (D17S1327), tdj1239 (D17S1328), and Mfd188 (D17S579). Although the allele shared at Mfd191 is relatively rare (0.07), we would presume that the parent was homozygous since they are recombinant with markers located nearby on either side, and a double recombination event in this region would be extremely unlikely. Thus the evidence in this family would also place the BRCA1 locus distal to tdj1474. However, the lower limit of this breakpoint is impossible to determine without parental genotype information. It is intriguing that the key recombinant breakpoint in this family confirms the result in Kindred 2082. As before, the localization information in this family is only meaningful if the breast cancer was due to the BRCA1 gene. However, her relatively early age at diagnosis (44) makes this seem very likely since the risk of breast cancer before age 45 in the general population is low (approximately 1%).

#### Kindred 2035

**[0210]** This family is similar to K1901 in that the information on the critical recombinant events is not directly observed but is inferred from the observation that the two haplotypes which are cosegregating with the early onset breast cancer in the two branches of the family appear identical for markers located in the proximal portion of the 17q BRCA1 region but differ at more distal loci. Each of these two haplotypes occurs in at least four cases of early-onset or bilateral breast cancer. The overall LOD score with ED2 in this family is 2.2, and considering that there is a case of ovarian cancer in the family (indicating a prior probability of BRCA1 linkage of 80%), the resulting posterior probability that this family is linked to BRCA1 is 0.998. The haplotypes are identical for the markers Mfd15, THRA1, Mfd191, ED2, AA1, D17S858 and D17S902. The common allele at Mfd15 and ED2 are both quite rare, indicating that this haplotype is shared identical by descent. The haplotypes are discordant, however, for CA375, 4-7, and Mfd188, and several more distal markers. This indicates that the BRCA1 locus must lie above the marker CA-375. This marker is located approximately 50 kb below D17S78, so it serves primarily as additional confirmation of this previous lower boundary as reported in Simard *et al.* (1993).

#### Kindred 1813

**[0211]** Kindred 1813 is a small family with four cases of breast cancer diagnosed under the age of 40 whose mother had breast cancer diagnosed at age 45 and ovarian cancer at age 61. This situation is somewhat complicated by the



fact the four cases appear to have three different fathers, only one of whom has been genotyped. However, by typing a number of different markers in the BRCA1 region as well as highly polymorphic markers elsewhere in the genome, the paternity of all children in the family has been determined with a high degree of certainty. This family yields a maximum multipoint LOD score of 0.60 with 17q markers and, given that there is at least one case of ovarian cancer, results in a posterior probability of being a BRCA1 linked family of 0.93. This family contains a directly observable recombination event in individual 18 (see Figure 5 in Simard *et al.*, *Human Mol. Genet.* 2:1193-1199 (1993)), who developed breast cancer at age 34. The genotype of her affected mother at the relevant 17q loci can be inferred from her genotypes, her affected sister's genotypes, and the genotypes of three other unaffected siblings. Individual 18 inherits the BRCA1-linked alleles for the following loci: Mfd15, THRA1, D17S800, D17S855, AA1, and D17S931. However, for markers below D17S931, i.e., U5R, vrs31, D17S858, and D17S579, she has inherited the alleles located on the non-disease bearing chromosome. The evidence from this family therefore would place the BRCA1 locus proximal to the marker U5R. Because of her early age at diagnosis (34) it is extremely unlikely that the recombinant individual's cancer is not due to the gene responsible for the other cases of breast/ovarian cancer in this family; the uncertainty in this family comes from our somewhat smaller amount of evidence that breast cancer in this family is due to BRCA1 rather than a second, as yet unmapped, breast cancer susceptibility locus.

#### Size of the region containing BRCA1

**[0212]** Based on the genetic data described in detail above, the BRCA1 locus must lie in the interval between the markers tdj1474 and U5R, both of which were isolated in our laboratory. Based upon the physical maps shown in Figures 2 and 3, we can try to estimate the physical distance between these two loci. It takes approximately 14 P1 clones with an average insert size of approximately 80 kb to span the region. However, because all of these P1s overlap to some unknown degree, the physical region is most likely much smaller than 14 times 80 kb. Based on restriction maps of the clones covering the region, we estimate the size of the region containing BRCA1 to be approximately 650 kb.

#### EXAMPLE 7

##### Identification of Candidate cDNA Clones for the BRCA1 Locus by Genomic Analysis of the Contig Region

##### Complete screen of the plausible region.

**[0213]** The first method to identify candidate cDNAs, although labor intensive, used known techniques. The method comprised the screening of cosmids and P1 and BAC clones in the contig to identify putative coding sequences. The clones containing putative coding sequences were then used as probes on filters of cDNA libraries to identify candidate cDNA clones for future analysis. The clones were screened for putative coding sequences by either of two methods.

##### Zoo blots.

**[0214]** The first method for identifying putative coding sequences was by screening the cosmid and P1 clones for sequences conserved through evolution across several species. This technique is referred to as "zoo blot analysis" and is described by Monaco, 1986. Specifically, DNAs from cow, chicken, pig, mouse and rat were digested with the restriction enzymes EcoRI and HindIII (8 µg of DNA per enzyme). The digested DNAs were separated overnight on an 0.7% gel at 20 volts for 16 hours (14 cm gel), and the DNA transferred to Nylon membranes using standard Southern blot techniques. For example, the zoo blot filter was treated at 65°C in 0.1 x SSC, 0.5% SDS, and 0.2M Tris, pH 8.0, for 30 minutes and then blocked overnight at 42°C in 5x SSC, 10% PEG 8000, 20 mM NaPO<sub>4</sub> pH 6.8, 100 µg/ml Salmon Sperm DNA, 1x Denhardt's, 50% formamide, 0.1% SDS, and 2 µg/ml C<sub>6</sub>t-1 DNA.

**[0215]** The cosmid and P1 clones to be analyzed were digested with a restriction enzyme to release the human DNA from the vector DNA. The DNA was separated on a 14 cm, 0.5% agarose gel run overnight at 20 volts for 16 hours. The human DNA bands were cut out of the gel and electroeluted from the gel wedge at 100 volts for at least two hours in 0.5x Tris Acetate buffer (Maniatis *et al.*, 1982). The eluted Not I digested DNA (~15 kb to 25 kb) was then digested with EcoRI restriction enzyme to give smaller fragments (~0.5 kb to 5.0 kb) which melt apart more easily for the next step of labeling the DNA with radionucleotides. The DNA fragments were labeled by means of the hexamer random prime labeling method (Boehringer-Mannheim, Cat. #1004760). The labeled DNA was spermine precipitated (add 100 µl TE, 5 µl 0.1 M spermine, and 5 µl of 10 mg/ml salmon sperm DNA) to remove unincorporated radionucleotides. The labeled DNA was then resuspended in 100 µl TE, 0.5 M NaCl at 65°C for 5 minutes and then blocked with Human C<sub>6</sub>t-1 DNA for 2-4 hrs. as per the manufacturer's instructions (Gibco/BRL, Cat. #5279SA). The C<sub>6</sub>t-1 blocked probe was incubated on the zoo blot filters in the blocking solution overnight at 42°C. The filters were washed for 30 minutes at

room temperature in 2 x SSC, 0.1% SDS, and then in the same buffer for 30 minutes at 55°C. The filters were then exposed 1 to 3 days at -70°C to Kodak XAR-5 film with an intensifying screen. Thus, the zoo blots were hybridized with either the pool of EcoR1 fragments from the insert, or each of the fragments individually.

**[0216] HTF island analysis.** The second method for identifying cosmids to use as probes on the cDNA libraries was HTF island analysis. Since the pulsed-field map can reveal HTF islands, cosmids that map to these HTF island regions were analyzed with priority. HTF islands are segments of DNA which contain a very high frequency of unmethylated CpG dinucleotides (Tonolio *et al.*, 1990) and are revealed by the clustering of restriction sites of enzymes whose recognition sequences include CpG dinucleotides. Enzymes known to be useful in HTF-island analysis are Ascl, NotI, BssHII, EagI, SacII, NaeI, NarI, SmaI, and MluI (Anand, 1992). A pulsed-field map was created using the enzymes NotI, NruI, EagI, SacII, and Sall, and two HTF islands were found. These islands are located in the distal end of the region, one being distal to the GP2B locus, and the other being proximal to the same locus, both outside the BRCA1 region. The cosmids derived from the YACs that cover these two locations were analyzed to identify those that contain these restriction sites, and thus the HTF islands.

**[0217] cDNA screening.** Those clones that contain HTF islands or show hybridization to other species DNA besides human are likely to contain coding sequences. The human DNA from these clones was isolated as whole insert or as EcoR1 fragments and labeled as described above. The labeled DNA was used to screen filters of various cDNA libraries under the same conditions as the zoo blots except that the cDNA filters undergo a more stringent wash of 0.1 x SSC, 0.1% SDS at 65°C for 30 minutes twice.

**[0218]** Most of the cDNA libraries used to date in our studies (libraries from normal breast tissue, breast tissue from a woman in her eighth month of pregnancy and a breast malignancy) were prepared at Clontech, Inc. The cDNA library generated from breast tissue of an 8 month pregnant woman is available from Clontech (Cat. #HL1037a) in the Lambda gt-10 vector, and is grown in C600Hfl bacterial host cells. Normal breast tissue and malignant breast tissue samples were isolated from a 37 year old Caucasian female and one-gram of each tissue was sent to Clontech for mRNA processing and cDNA library construction. The latter two libraries were generated using both random and oligo-dT priming, with size selection of the final products which were then cloned into the Lambda Zap II vector, and grown in XL1-blue strain of bacteria as described by the manufacturer. Additional tissue-specific cDNA libraries include human fetal brain (Stratagene, Cat. 936206), human testis (Clontech Cat. HL3024), human thymus (Clontech Cat. HL1127n), human brain (Clontech Cat. HL11810), human placenta (Clontech Cat 1075b), and human skeletal muscle (Clontech Cat. HL1124b).

**[0219]** The cDNA libraries were plated with their host cells on NZCYM plates, and filter lifts are made in duplicate from each plate as per Maniatis *et al.* (1982). Insert (human) DNA from the candidate genomic clones was purified and radioactively labeled to high specific activity. The radioactive DNA was then hybridized to the cDNA filters to identify those cDNAs which correspond to genes located within the candidate cosmid clone. cDNAs identified by this method were picked, replated, and screened again with the labeled clone insert or its derived EcoR1 fragment DNA to verify their positive status. Clones that were positive after this second round of screening were then grown up and their DNA purified for Southern blot analysis and sequencing. Clones were either purified as plasmid through *in vivo* excision of the plasmid from the Lambda vector as described in the protocols from the manufacturers, or isolated from the Lambda vector as a restriction fragment and subcloned into plasmid vector.

**[0220]** The Southern blot analysis was performed in duplicate, one using the original genomic insert DNA as a probe to verify that cDNA insert contains hybridizing sequences. The second blot was hybridized with cDNA insert DNA from the largest cDNA clone to identify which clones represent the same gene. All cDNAs which hybridize with the genomic clone and are unique were sequenced and the DNA analyzed to determine if the sequences represent known or unique genes. All cDNA clones which appear to be unique were further analyzed as candidate BRCA1 loci. Specifically, the clones are hybridized to Northern blots to look for breast specific expression and differential expression in normal versus breast tumor RNAs. They are also analyzed by PCR on clones in the BRCA1 region to verify their location. To map the extent of the locus, full length cDNAs are isolated and their sequences used as PCR probes on the YACs and the clones surrounding and including the original identifying clones. Intron-exon boundaries are then further defined through sequence analysis.

**[0221]** We have screened the normal breast, 8 month pregnant breast and fetal brain cDNA libraries with zoo blot-positive Eco R1 fragments from cosmid BAC and P1 clones in the region. Potential BRCA1 cDNA clones were identified among the three libraries. Clones were picked, replated, and screened again with the original probe to verify that they were positive.

**[0222] Analysis of hybrid-selected cDNA.** cDNA fragments obtained from direct selection were checked by Southern blot hybridization against the probe DNA to verify that they originated from the contig. Those that passed this test were sequenced in their entirety. The set of DNA sequences obtained in this way were then checked against each other to find independent clones that overlapped. For example, the clones 694-65, 1240-1 and 1240-33 were obtained independently and subsequently shown to derive from the same contiguous cDNA sequence which has been named EST. 489:1.

**[0223]** Analysis of candidate clones. One or more of the candidate genes generated from above were sequenced and the information used for identification and classification of each expressed gene. The DNA sequences were compared to known genes by nucleotide sequence comparisons and by translation in all frames followed by a comparison with known amino acid sequences. This was accomplished using Genetic Data Environment (GDE) version 2.2 software and the Basic Local Alignment Search Tool (Blast) series of client/server software packages (e.g., BLASTN 1.3.13MP), for sequence comparison against both local and remote sequence databases (e.g., GenBank), running on Sun SPARC workstations. Sequences reconstructed from collections of cDNA clones identified with the cosmids and P1s have been generated. All candidate genes that represented new sequences were analyzed further to test their candidacy for the putative BRCA1 locus.

**[0224]** Mutation screening. To screen for mutations in the affected pedigrees, two different approaches were followed. First, genomic DNA isolated from family members known to carry the susceptibility allele of BRCA1 was used as a template for amplification of candidate gene sequences by PCR. If the PCR primers flank or overlap an intron/exon boundary, the amplified fragment will be larger than predicted from the cDNA sequence or will not be present in the amplified mixture. By a combination of such amplification experiments and sequencing of P1, BAC or cosmid clones using the set of designed primers it is possible to establish the intron/exon structure and ultimately obtain the DNA sequences of genomic DNA from the pedigrees.

**[0225]** A second approach that is much more rapid if the intron/exon structure of the candidate gene is complex involves sequencing fragments amplified from pedigree lymphocyte cDNA. cDNA synthesized from lymphocyte mRNA extracted from pedigree blood was used as a substrate for PCR amplification using the set of designed primers. If the candidate gene is expressed to a significant extent in lymphocytes, such experiments usually produce amplified fragments that can be sequenced directly without knowledge of intron/exon junctions.

**[0226]** The products of such sequencing reactions were analyzed by gel electrophoresis to determine positions in the sequence that contain either mutations such as deletions or insertions, or base pair substitutions that cause amino acid changes or other detrimental effects.

**[0227]** Any sequence within the BRCA1 region that is expressed in breast is considered to be a candidate gene for BRCA1. Compelling evidence that a given candidate gene corresponds to BRCA1 comes from a demonstration that pedigree families contain defective alleles of the candidate.

#### EXAMPLE 8

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**[0228]** Using several strategies, a detailed map of transcripts was developed for the 600 kb region of 17q21 between D17S1321 and D17S1324. Candidate expressed sequences were defined as DNA sequences obtained from: 1) direct screening of breast, fetal brain, or lymphocyte cDNA libraries, 2) hybrid selection of breast, lymphocyte or ovary cDNAs, or 3) random sequencing of genomic DNA and prediction of coding exons by XPOUND (Thomas and Skolnick, 1994). These expressed sequences in many cases were assembled into contigs composed of several independently identified sequences. Candidate genes may comprise more than one of these candidate expressed sequences. Sixty-five candidate expressed sequences within this region were identified by hybrid selection, by direct screening of cDNA libraries, and by random sequencing of P1 subclones. Expressed sequences were characterized by transcript size, DNA sequence, database comparison, expression pattern, genomic structure, and, most importantly, DNA sequence analysis in individuals from kindreds segregating 17q-linked breast and ovarian cancer susceptibility.

**[0229]** Three independent contigs of expressed sequence, 1141:1 (649 bp), 694:5 (213 bp) and 754:2 (1079 bp) were isolated and eventually shown to represent portions of BRCA1. When ESTs for these contigs were used as hybridization probes for Northern analysis, a single transcript of approximately 7.8 kb was observed in normal breast mRNA, suggesting that they encode different portions of a single gene. Screens of breast, fetal brain, thymus, testes, lymphocyte and placental cDNA libraries and PCR experiments with breast mRNA linked the 1141:1, 694:5 and 754:2 contigs. 5' RACE experiments with thymus, testes, and breast mRNA extended the contig to the putative 5' end, yielding a composite full length sequence. PCR and direct sequencing of P1s and BACs in the region were used to identify the location of introns and allowed the determination of splice donor and acceptor sites. These three expressed sequences were merged into a single transcription unit that proved in the final analysis to be BRCA1. This transcription unit is located adjacent to D17S855 in the center of the 600 kb region (Fig. 4).

**[0230]** Combination of sequences obtained from cDNA clones, hybrid selection sequences, and amplified PCR products allowed construction of a composite full length BRCA1 cDNA (SEQ ID NO:1). The sequence of the BRCA1 cDNA (up through the stop codon) has also been deposited with GenBank and assigned accession number U-14680. This deposited sequence is incorporated herein by reference. The cDNA clone extending farthest in the 3' direction contains

a poly(A) tract preceded by a polyadenylation signal. Conceptual translation of the cDNA revealed a single long open reading frame of 208 kilodaltons (amino acid sequence: SEQ ID NO:2) with a potential initiation codon flanked by sequences resembling the Kozak consensus sequence (Kozak, 1987). Smith-Waterman (Smith and Waterman, 1981) and BLAST (Altschul *et al.*, 1990) searches identified a sequence near the amino terminus with considerable homology to zinc-finger domains (Fig. 5). This sequence contains cysteine and histidine residues present in the consensus C3HC4 zinc-finger motif and shares multiple other residues with zinc-finger proteins in the databases. The BRCA1 gene is composed of 23 coding exons arrayed over more than 100 kb of genomic DNA (Fig. 6). Northern blots using fragments of the BRCA1 cDNA as probes identified a single transcript of about 7.8 kb, present most abundantly in breast, thymus and testis, and also present in ovary (Fig. 7). Four alternatively spliced products were observed as independent cDNA clones; 3 of these were detected in breast and 2 in ovary mRNA (Fig. 6). A PCR survey from tissue cDNAs further supports the idea that there is considerable heterogeneity near the 5' end of transcripts from this gene; the molecular basis for the heterogeneity involves differential choice of the first splice donor site, and the changes detected all alter the transcript in the region 5' of the identified start codon. We have detected six potential alternate splice donors in this 5' untranslated region, with the longest deletion being 1,155 bp. The predominant form of the BRCA1 protein in breast and ovary lacks exon 4. The nucleotide sequence for BRCA1 exon 4 is shown in SEQ ID NO:11, with the predicted amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:12.

**[0231]** Additional 5' sequence of BRCA1 genomic DNA is set forth in SEQ ID NO:13. The G at position 1 represents the potential start site in testis. The A in position 140 represents the potential start site in somatic tissue. There are six alternative splice forms of this 5' sequence as shown in Figure 8. The G at position 356 represents the canonical first splice donor site. The G at position 444 represents the first splice donor site in two clones (testis 1 and testis 2). The G at position 889 represents the first splice donor site in thymus 3. A fourth splice donor site is the G at position 1230. The T at position 1513 represents the splice acceptor site for all of the above splice donors. A fifth alternate splice form has a first splice donor site at position 349 with a first acceptor site at position 591 and a second splice donor site at position 889 and a second acceptor site at position 1513. A sixth alternate form is unspliced in this 5' region. The A at position 1532 is the canonical start site, which appears at position 120 of SEQ ID NO:1. Partial genomic DNA sequences determined for BRCA1 are set forth in Figures 10A-10H and SEQ ID Numbers:14-34. The lower case letters (in figures 10A-10H) denote intron sequence while the upper case letters denote exon sequence. Indefinite intervals within introns are designated with vvvvvvvvvvvv in Figures 10A-10H. The intron/exon junctions are shown in Table 9. The CAG found at the 5' end of exons 8 and 14 is found in some cDNAs but not in others. Known polymorphic sites are shown in Figures 10A-10H in boldface type and are underlined.

TABLE 9

Exon No.	Base Position		Length	5'	Intron Borders	3'
	5'	3'				
e1	1	100	100	GATAAATTAAAACTGCGACTGCGGGCGTG <sup>35*</sup>	GTAGTAGAGTCCCGGAAAGGACAGGGG <sup>36</sup>	
e2	101	199	99	ATATATATATGTTTTTCTAATGTTAAAG <sup>37</sup>	GTAAGTCAGCACAAAGAGTGATTAATTTGG <sup>38</sup>	
e3	200	253	54	TTTCTTTTTTCTCCCCCCCCCTACCCCTGCTAG <sup>39</sup>	GTAAGTTTGAATGTGTTATGTGGCTCCAAT <sup>40</sup>	
e4	***	***	111	AGCTACTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTCAGACAG <sup>41</sup>	GTAAGTGCACACCCACCATAATCCAGCTAAAT <sup>42</sup>	
e5	254	331	78	AATTGTTCTTCTCTTCTTTTATAAATTATAG <sup>43</sup>	GTATATAAATTTGGTAATGATGCTAGTTGG <sup>44</sup>	
e6	332	420	89	GAGTGTGTTTCTCAAAACAATTTAATTTTCAG <sup>45</sup>	GTAAGTGTGAATATCCCAAGAATGACACT <sup>46</sup>	
e7	421	560	140	AAACATAAATGTTTTCCCTTGATTTTACAG <sup>47</sup>	GTAAACCATTGTGTTTTCTTCTTCTTCTTC <sup>48</sup>	
e8	561	666	106	TGCTTGACTGTTCTTTTACCATACTGTTTAG <sup>49</sup>	GTAAGGCTCTCAGGTTTTTTTAAAGTATTTAA <sup>50</sup>	
e9	667	712	46	TGATTTATTTTTTGGGGGGAATTTTTTAG <sup>51</sup>	GTGAGTCAAAAGAGAACCTTTTGTCTATGAAG <sup>52</sup>	
e10	713	789	77	TCTTATTAGGACTCTGTCTTTTCCCTATAG <sup>53</sup>	GTAATGGCAAAAGTTTGCCAACTTAACAGGC <sup>54</sup>	
e11	790	4215	3426	GAGTACCTTGTTAATTTTGTATATATTTTCAG <sup>55</sup>	GTATTGGAACCAAGGTTTTTTTGTGTTTTGCCCC <sup>56</sup>	
e12	4216	4302	87	ACATCTGAACCTCTGTTTTTTGTTAATTAAG <sup>57</sup>	AGGTAAAAAAGCGTGTGTGTGTGCACATG <sup>58</sup>	
e13	4303	4476	174	CATTTTCTTGGTACCATTATCGTTTTTGA <sup>59</sup>	GTGTGTATTGTTGGCCCAACACTGATATCT <sup>60</sup>	
e14	4477	4603	127	AGTAGATTGTTTTTCTCATTCATTCCATTAAAG <sup>61</sup>	GTAAGAAACATCAATGTAAAGATGCTGTGG <sup>62</sup>	

\* Base numbers in SEQ ID NO:1.

\*\* Numbers in superscript refer to SEQ ID NOS.

\*\*\* e4 from SEQ ID NO:11.

TABLE 2 (cont'd)

Exon No.	Base Position* 5' 3'	Length	5'	Intron Borders	3'
e15	4604 4794	191	ATGGTTTCTCCTTCCATTATCTTTCTAG <sup>63</sup> **	GTAAATATTTTCATCTGCTGTATTGGAACAAA <sup>64</sup>	
e16	4795 5105	311	TGTAAATTAAACTTCTCCCATTCCTTTTCAG <sup>65</sup>	GTAGTGTATCCATATGTATCTCCCTAAATG <sup>66</sup>	
e17	5106 5193	88	ATGATAATGGAATATTGATTTAAATTCAG <sup>67</sup>	GTATACCAAGAACCCTTTACAGAATACCTTG <sup>68</sup>	
e18	5194 5271	78	CTAATCCTTTGAGTGTCTTTTCATTTCTGCAG <sup>69</sup>	GTAGTATAATACTATTTCTCCCTCCTCC <sup>70</sup>	
e19	5272 5312	41	TGTAACCTGTCTTTTCTATAGATCTCTTTAG <sup>71</sup>	GTAGTACTTGTATGTTTACAAACTAACCCAGA <sup>72</sup>	
e20	5313 5396	84	TCCTGATGGTTGTGTTTGGTTTCTTTTCAG <sup>73</sup>	GTAAGCTCCCTCCCTCAAGTTGACAAAA <sup>74</sup>	
e21	5397 5451	55	CTGTCCCTCTCTCTTCTCTCTCTTCTCCAG <sup>75</sup>	GTAGAGCCTGGGAGAACCCAGAGTTCCA <sup>76</sup>	
e22	5452 5525	74	AGTGATTTTACATGTAATGTCATTTTAG <sup>77</sup>	GTAGTATTTGGTGGCTGCCCTGTCAAGTGTGGGA <sup>78</sup>	
e23	5526 5586	61	TTGAATGCTCTTTCTCTTCTCTGGGATCCAG <sup>79</sup>	GTAGGTGCCCTCGCATGTACCTGTGCTATT <sup>80</sup>	
e24	5587 5914	328	CTAATCTCTGCTTGTGTTCTCTCTCTCTCCAG <sup>81</sup>		

\* Base numbers in SEQ ID NO:1.

\*\* Numbers in superscript refer to SEQ ID NOS.

[0232] Low stringency blots in which genomic DNA from organisms of diverse phylogenetic background were probed with BRCA1 sequences that lack the zinc-finger region revealed strongly hybridizing fragments in human, monkey, sheep and pig, and very weak hybridization signals in rodents. This result indicates that, apart from the zinc-finger domain, BRCA1 is conserved only at a moderate level through evolution.

## Germline BRCA1 mutations in 17q-linked kindreds.

**[0233]** The most rigorous test for BRCA1 candidate genes is to search for potentially disruptive mutations in carrier individuals from kindreds that segregate 17q-linked susceptibility to breast and ovarian cancer. Such individuals must contain BRCA1 alleles that differ from the wildtype sequence. The set of DNA samples used in this analysis consisted of DNA from individuals representing 8 different BRCA1 kindreds (Table 10).

TABLE 10

KINDRED DESCRIPTIONS AND ASSOCIATED LOD SCORES						
Kindred	Cases (n)			Sporadic Cases <sup>1</sup> (n)	LOD Score	Marker(s)
	Br	Br<50	Ov			
2082	31	20	22	7	9.49	D17S1327
2099	22	14	2*	0	2.36	D17S800/D17S855 <sup>2</sup>
2035	10	8	1*	0	2.25	D17S1327
1901	10	7	1*	0	1.50	D17S855
1925	4	3	0	0	0.55	D17S579
1910	5	4	0	0	0.36	D17S579/D17S250 <sup>2</sup>
1927	5	4	0	1	-0.44	D17S250
1911	8	5	0	2	-0.20	D17S250

<sup>1</sup> Number of women with breast cancer (diagnosed under age 50) or ovarian cancer (diagnosed at any age) who do not share the BRCA1-linked haplotype segregating in the remainder of the cases in the kindred.

<sup>2</sup> Multipoint LOD score calculated using both markers

\* kindred contains one individual who had both breast and ovarian cancer; this individual is counted as a breast cancer case and as an ovarian cancer case.

**[0234]** The logarithm of the odds (LOD) scores in these kindreds range from 9.49 to -0.44 for a set of markers in 17q21. Four of the families have convincing LOD scores for linkage, and 4 have low positive or negative LOD scores. The latter kindreds were included because they demonstrate haplotype sharing at chromosome 17q21 for at least 3 affected members. Furthermore, all kindreds in the set display early age of breast cancer onset and 4 of the kindreds include at least one case of ovarian cancer, both hallmarks of BRCA1 kindreds. One kindred, 2082, has nearly equal incidence of breast and ovarian cancer, an unusual occurrence given the relative rarity of ovarian cancer in the population. All of the kindreds except two were ascertained in Utah. K2035 is from the midwest. K2099 is an African-American kindred from the southern USA.

**[0235]** In the initial screen for predisposing mutations in BRCA1, DNA from one individual who carries the predisposing haplotype in each kindred was tested. The 23 coding exons and associated splice junctions were amplified either from genomic DNA samples or from cDNA prepared from lymphocyte mRNA. When the amplified DNA sequences were compared to the wildtype sequence, 4 of the 8 kindred samples were found to contain sequence variants (Table 11).

TABLE 11

PREDISPOSING MUTATIONS			
Kindred Number	Mutation	Coding Effect	Location*
2082	C→T	Gln→Stop	4056
1910	extra C	frameshift	5385
2099	T→G	Met→Arg	5443
2035	?	loss of transcript	
1901	11 bp deletion	frameshift	189

\* In Sequence ID NO: 1

**[0236]** All four sequence variants are heterozygous and each appears in only one of the kindreds. Kindred 2082 contains a nonsense mutation in exon 11 (Fig. 9A), Kindred 1910 contains a single nucleotide insertion in exon 20 (Fig. 9B), and Kindred 2099 contains a missense mutation in exon 21, resulting in a Met→Arg substitution. The frameshift and nonsense mutations are likely disruptive to the function of the BRCA1 product. The peptide encoded by the

frameshift allele in Kindred 1910 would contain an altered amino acid sequence beginning 108 residues from the wildtype C-terminus. The peptide encoded by the frameshift allele in Kindred 1901 would contain an altered amino acid sequence beginning with the 24th residue from the wildtype N-terminus. The mutant allele in Kindred 2082 would encode a protein missing 551 residues from the C-terminus. The missense substitution observed in Kindred 2099 is potentially disruptive as it causes the replacement of a small hydrophobic amino acid (Met), by a large charged residue (Arg). Eleven common polymorphisms were also identified, 8 in coding sequence and 3 in introns.

[0237] The individual studied in Kindred 2035 evidently contains a regulatory mutation in BRCA1. In her cDNA, a polymorphic site (A→G at base 3667) appeared homozygous, whereas her genomic DNA revealed heterozygosity at this position (Fig. 9C). A possible explanation for this observation is that mRNA from her mutated BRCA1 allele is absent due to a mutation that affects its production or stability. This possibility was explored further by examining 5 polymorphic sites in the BRCA1 coding region, which are separated by as much as 3.5 kb in the BRCA1 transcript. In all cases where her genomic DNA appeared heterozygous for a polymorphism, cDNA appeared homozygous. In individuals from other kindreds and in non-haplotype carriers in Kindred 2035, these polymorphic sites could be observed as heterozygous in cDNA, implying that amplification from cDNA was not biased in favor of one allele. This analysis indicates that a BRCA1 mutation in Kindred 2035 either prevents transcription or causes instability or aberrant splicing of the BRCA1 transcript.

[0238] Cosegregation of BRCA1 mutations with BRCA1 haplotypes and population frequency analysis. In addition to potentially disrupting protein function, two criteria must be met for a sequence variant to qualify as a candidate predisposing mutation. The variant must: 1) be present in individuals from the kindred who carry the predisposing BRCA1 haplotype and absent in other members of the kindred, and 2) be rare in the general population.

[0239] Each mutation was tested for cosegregation with BRCA1. For the frameshift mutation in Kindred 1910, two other haplotype carriers and one non-carrier were sequenced (Fig. 9B). Only the carriers exhibited the frameshift mutation. The C to T change in Kindred 2082 created a new AvrII restriction site. Other carriers and non-carriers in the kindred were tested for the presence of the restriction site (Fig. 9A). An allele-specific oligonucleotide (ASO) was designed to detect the presence of the sequence variant in Kindred 2099. Several individuals from the kindred, some known to carry the haplotype associated with the predisposing allele, and others known not to carry the associated haplotype, were screened by ASO for the mutation previously detected in the kindred. In each kindred, the corresponding mutant allele was detected in individuals carrying the BRCA1-associated haplotype, and was not detected in non-carriers. In the case of the potential regulatory mutation observed in the individual from Kindred 2035, cDNA and genomic DNA from carriers in the kindred were compared for heterozygosity at polymorphic sites. In every instance, the extinguished allele in the cDNA sample was shown to lie on the chromosome that carries the BRCA1 predisposing allele (Fig. 9C).

[0240] To exclude the possibility that the mutations were simply common polymorphisms in the population, ASOs for each mutation were used to screen a set of normal DNA samples. Gene frequency estimates in Caucasians were based on random samples from the Utah population. Gene frequency estimates in African-Americans were based on 39 samples provided by M. Peracek-Vance which originate from African-Americans used in her linkage studies and 20 newborn Utah African-Americans. None of the 4 potential predisposing mutations was found in the appropriate control population, indicating that they are rare in the general population. Thus, two important requirements for BRCA1 susceptibility alleles were fulfilled by the candidate predisposing mutations: 1) cosegregation of the mutant allele with disease, and 2) absence of the mutant allele in controls, indicating a low gene frequency in the general population.

[0241] Phenotypic Expression of BRCA1 Mutations. The effect of the mutations on the BRCA1 protein correlated with differences in the observed phenotypic expression in the BRCA1 kindreds. Most BRCA1 kindreds have a moderately increased ovarian cancer risk, and a smaller subset have high risks of ovarian cancer, comparable to those for breast cancer (Easton *et al.*, 1993). Three of the four kindreds in which BRCA1 mutations were detected fall into the former category, while the fourth (K2082) falls into the high ovarian cancer risk group. Since the BRCA1 nonsense mutation found in K2082 lies closer to the amino terminus than the other mutations detected, it might be expected to have a different phenotype. In fact, Kindred K2082 mutation has a high incidence of ovarian cancer, and a later mean age at diagnosis of breast cancer cases than the other kindreds (Goldgar *et al.*, 1994). This difference in age of onset could be due to an ascertainment bias in the smaller, more highly penetrant families, or it could reflect tissue-specific differences in the behavior of BRCA1 mutations. The other 3 kindreds that segregate known BRCA1 mutations have, on average, one ovarian cancer for every 10 cases of breast cancer, but have a high proportion of breast cancer cases diagnosed in their late 20's or early 30's. Kindred 1910, which has a frameshift mutation, is noteworthy because three of the four affected individuals had bilateral breast cancer, and in each case the second tumor was diagnosed within a year of the first occurrence. Kindred 2035, which segregates a potential regulatory BRCA1 mutation, might also be expected to have a dramatic phenotype. Eighty percent of breast cancer cases in this kindred occur under age 50. This figure is as high as any in the set, suggesting a BRCA1 mutant allele of high penetrance (Table 10).

[0242] Although the mutations described above clearly are deleterious, causing breast cancer in women at very young ages, each of the four kindreds with mutations includes at least one woman who carries the mutation who lived



until age 80 without developing a malignancy. It will be of utmost importance in the studies that follow to identify other genetic or environmental factors that may ameliorate the effects of BRCA1 mutations.

[0243] In four of the eight putative BRCA1-linked kindreds, potential predisposing mutations were not found. Three of these four have LOD scores for BRCA1-linked markers of less than 0.55. Thus, these kindreds may not in reality segregate BRCA1 predisposing alleles. Alternatively, the mutations in these four kindreds may lie in regions of BRCA1 that, for example, affect the level of transcript and therefore have thus far escaped detection.

[0244] Role of BRCA1 in Cancer. Most tumor suppressor genes identified to date give rise to protein products that are absent, nonfunctional, or reduced in function. The majority of TP53 mutations are missense; some of these have been shown to produce abnormal p53 molecules that interfere with the function of the wildtype product (Shaulian *et al.*, 1992; Srivastava *et al.*, 1993). A similar dominant negative mechanism of action has been proposed for some adenomatous polyposis coli (APC) alleles that produce truncated molecules (Su *et al.*, 1993), and for point mutations in the Wilms' tumor gene (WT1) that alter DNA binding of the protein (Little *et al.*, 1993). The nature of the mutations observed in the BRCA1 coding sequence is consistent with production of either dominant negative proteins or non-functional proteins. The regulatory mutation inferred in Kindred 2035 cannot be a dominant negative; rather, this mutation likely causes reduction or complete loss of BRCA1 expression from the affected allele.

[0245] The BRCA1 protein contains a C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>4</sub> zinc-finger domain, similar to those found in numerous DNA binding proteins and implicated in zinc-dependent binding to nucleic acids. The first 180 amino acids of BRCA1 contain five more basic residues than acidic residues. In contrast, the remainder of the molecule is very acidic, with a net excess of 70 acidic residues. The excess negative charge is particularly concentrated near the C-terminus. Thus, one possibility is that BRCA1 encodes a transcription factor with an N-terminal DNA binding domain and a C-terminal transactivational "acidic blob" domain. Interestingly, another familial tumor suppressor gene, WT1, also contains a zinc-finger motif (Haber *et al.*, 1990). Many cancer predisposing mutations in WT1 alter zinc-finger domains (Little *et al.*, 1993; Haber *et al.*, 1990; Little *et al.*, 1992). WT1 encodes a transcription factor, and alternative splicing of exons that encode parts of the zinc-finger domain alter the DNA binding properties of WT1 (Bickmore *et al.*, 1992). Some alternatively spliced forms of WT1 mRNA generate molecules that act as transcriptional repressors (Drummond *et al.*, 1994). Some BRCA1 splicing variants may alter the zinc-finger motif, raising the possibility that a regulatory mechanism similar to that which occurs in WT1 may apply to BRCA1.

#### EXAMPLE 9

##### Analysis of Tumors for BRCA1 Mutations

[0246] To focus the analysis on tumors most likely to contain BRCA1 mutations, primary breast and ovarian carcinomas were typed for LOH in the BRCA1 region. Three highly polymorphic, simple tandem repeat markers were used to assess LOH: D17S1323 and D17S855, which are intragenic to BRCA1, and D17S1327, which lies approximately 100 kb distal to BRCA1. The combined LOH frequency in informative cases (i.e., where the germline was heterozygous) was 32/72 (44%) for the breast carcinomas and 12/21 (57%) for the ovarian carcinomas, consistent with previous measurements of LOH in the region (Futreal *et al.*, 1992b; Jacobs *et al.*, 1993; Sato *et al.*, 1990; Eccles *et al.*, 1990; Cropp *et al.*, 1994). The analysis thus defined a panel of 32 breast tumors and 12 ovarian tumors of mixed race and age of onset to be examined for BRCA mutations. The complete 5,589 bp coding region and intron/exon boundary sequences of the gene were screened in this tumor set by direct sequencing alone or by a combination of single-strand conformation analysis (SSCA) and direct sequencing.

[0247] A total of six mutations (of which two are identical) was found, one in an ovarian tumor, four in breast tumors and one in a male unaffected haplotype carrier (Table 12). One mutation, Glu1541Ter, introduced a stop codon that would create a truncated protein missing 323 amino acids at the carboxy terminus. In addition, two missense mutations were identified. These are Ala1708Glu and Met1775Arg and involve substitutions of small, hydrophobic residues by charged residues. Patients 17764 and 19964 are from the same family. In patient OV24 nucleotide 2575 is deleted and in patients 17764 and 19964 nucleotides 2993-2996 are deleted.

TABLE 12

Predisposing Mutations					
Patient	Codon	Nucleotide Change	Amino Acid Change	Age of Onset	Family History
BT098	1541	GAG → TAG	Glu → Stop	39	-
OV24	819	1 bp deletion	frameshift	44	-
BT106	1708	GCG → GAG	Ala → Glu	24	+
MC44	1775	ATG → AGG	Met → Arg	42	+

TABLE 12 (continued)

Predisposing Mutations					
Patient	Codon	Nucleotide Change	Amino Acid Change	Age of Onset	Family History
17764	958	4 bp deletion	frameshift	31	+
19964	958	4 bp deletion	frameshift		+*

\*Unaffected haplotype carrier, male

**[0248]** Several lines of evidence suggest that all five mutations represent BRCA1 susceptibility alleles:

- (i) all mutations are present in the germline;
- (ii) all are absent in appropriate control populations, suggesting they are not common polymorphisms;
- (iii) each mutant allele is retained in the tumor, as is the case in tumors from patients belonging to kindreds that segregate BRCA1 susceptibility alleles (Smith *et al.*, 1992; Kelsell *et al.*, 1993) (if the mutations represented neutral polymorphisms, they should be retained in only 50% of the cases);
- (iv) the age of onset in the four breast cancer cases with mutations varied between 24 and 42 years of age, consistent with the early age of onset of breast cancer in individuals with BRCA1 susceptibility; similarly, the ovarian cancer case was diagnosed at 44, an age that falls in the youngest 13% of all ovarian cancer cases; and finally,
- (v) three of the five cases have positive family histories of breast or ovarian cancer found retrospectively in their medical records, although the tumor set was not selected with regard to this criterion.

**[0249]** BT106 was diagnosed at age 24 with breast cancer. Her mother had ovarian cancer, her father had melanoma, and her paternal grandmother also had breast cancer. Patient MC44, an African-American, had bilateral breast cancer at age 42. This patient had a sister who died of breast cancer at age 34, another sister who died of lymphoma, and a brother who died of lung cancer. Her mutation (Met1775Arg) had been detected previously in Kindred 2099, an African-American family that segregates a BRCA1 susceptibility allele, and was absent in African-American and Caucasian controls. Patient MC44, to our knowledge, is unrelated to Kindred 2099. The detection of a rare mutant allele, once in a BRCA1 kindred and once in the germline of an apparently unrelated early-onset breast cancer case, suggests that the Met1775Arg change may be a common predisposing mutation in African-Americans. Collectively, these observations indicate that all four BRCA1 mutations in tumors represent susceptibility alleles; no somatic mutations were detected in the samples analyzed.

**[0250]** The paucity of somatic BRCA1 mutations is unexpected, given the frequency of LOH on 17q, and the usual role of susceptibility genes as tumor suppressors in cancer progression. There are three possible explanations for this result: (i) some BRCA1 mutations in coding sequences were missed by our screening procedure; (ii) BRCA1 somatic mutations fall primarily outside the coding exons; and (iii) LOH events in 17q do not reflect BRCA1 somatic mutations.

**[0251]** If somatic BRCA1 mutations truly are rare in breast and ovary carcinomas, this would have strong implications for the biology of BRCA1. The apparent lack of somatic BRCA1 mutations implies that there may be some fundamental difference in the genesis of tumors in genetically predisposed BRCA1 carriers, compared with tumors in the general population. For example, mutations in BRCA1 may have an effect only on tumor formation at a specific stage early in breast and ovarian development. This possibility is consistent with a primary function for BRCA1 in premenopausal breast cancer. Such a model for the role of BRCA1 in breast and ovarian cancer predicts an interaction between reproductive hormones and BRCA1 function. However, no clinical or pathological differences in familial versus sporadic breast and ovary tumors, other than age of onset, have been described (Lynch *et al.*, 1990). On the other hand, the recent finding of increased TP53 mutation and microsatellite instability in breast tumors from patients with a family history of breast cancer (Glebov *et al.*, 1994) may reflect some difference in tumors that arise in genetically predisposed persons. The involvement of BRCA1 in this phenomenon can now be addressed directly. Alternatively, the lack of somatic BRCA1 mutations may result from the existence of multiple genes that function in the same pathway of tumor suppression as BRCA1, but which collectively represent a more favored target for mutation in sporadic tumors. Since mutation of a single element in a genetic pathway is generally sufficient to disrupt the pathway, BRCA1 might mutate at a rate that is far lower than the sum of the mutational rates of the other elements.

#### EXAMPLE 10

##### Analysis of the BRCA1 Gene

**[0252]** The structure and function of BRCA 1 gene are determined according to the following methods.

**[0253]** Biological Studies. Mammalian expression vectors containing BRCA1 cDNA are constructed and transfected

into appropriate breast carcinoma cells with lesions in the gene. Wild-type BRCA1 cDNA as well as altered BRCA1 cDNA are utilized. The altered BRCA1 cDNA can be obtained from altered BRCA1 alleles or produced as described below. Phenotypic reversion in cultures (e.g., cell morphology, doubling time, anchorage-independent growth) and in animals (e.g., tumorigenicity) is examined. The studies will employ both wild-type and mutant forms (Section B) of the gene.

[0254] Molecular Genetics Studies. *In vitro* mutagenesis is performed to construct deletion mutants and missense mutants (by single base-pair substitutions in individual codons and cluster charged → alanine scanning mutagenesis). The mutants are used in biological, biochemical and biophysical studies.

[0255] Mechanism Studies. The ability of BRCA1 protein to bind to known and unknown DNA sequences is examined. Its ability to transactivate promoters is analyzed by transient reporter expression systems in mammalian cells. Conventional procedures such as particle-capture and yeast two-hybrid system are used to discover and identify any functional partners. The nature and functions of the partners are characterized. These partners in turn are targets for drug discovery.

[0256] Structural Studies. Recombinant proteins are produced in *E. coli*, yeast, insect and/or mammalian cells and are used in crystallographical and NMR studies. Molecular modeling of the proteins is also employed. These studies facilitate structure-driven drug design.

#### EXAMPLE 11

##### Two Step Assay to Detect the Presence of BRCA1 in a Sample

[0257] Patient sample is processed according to the method disclosed by Antonarakis *et al.* (1985), separated through a 1% agarose gel and transferred to nylon membrane for Southern blot analysis. Membranes are UV cross linked at 150 mJ using a GS Gene Linker (Bio-Rad). BRCA1 probe corresponding to nucleotide positions 3631-3930 of SEQ ID NO:1 is subcloned into pTZ18U. The phagemids are transformed into *E. coli* MV1190 infected with M13KO7 helper phage (Bio-Rad, Richmond, CA). Single stranded DNA is isolated according to standard procedures (see Sambrook *et al.*, 1989).

[0258] Blots are prehybridized for 15-30 min at 65°C in 7% sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) in 0.5 M NaPO<sub>4</sub>. The methods follow those described by Nguyen *et al.*, 1992. The blots are hybridized overnight at 65°C in 7% SDS, 0.5 M NaPO<sub>4</sub> with 25-50 ng/ml single stranded probe DNA. Post-hybridization washes consist of two 30 min washes in 5% SDS, 40 mM NaPO<sub>4</sub> at 65°C, followed by two 30 min washes in 1% SDS, 40 mM NaPO<sub>4</sub> at 65°C.

[0259] Next the blots are rinsed with phosphate buffered saline (pH 6.8) for 5 min at room temperature and incubated with 0.2% casein in PBS for 30-60 min at room temperature and rinsed in PBS for 5 min. The blots are then preincubated for 5-10 minutes in a shaking water bath at 45°C with hybridization buffer consisting of 6 M urea, 0.3 M NaCl, and 5X Denhardt's solution (see Sambrook, *et al.*, 1989). The buffer is removed and replaced with 50-75 µl/cm<sup>2</sup> fresh hybridization buffer plus 2.5 nM of the covalently cross-linked oligonucleotide-alkaline phosphatase conjugate with the nucleotide sequence complementary to the universal primer site (UP-AP, Bio-Rad). The blots are hybridized for 20-30 min at 45°C and post hybridization washes are incubated at 45°C as two 10 min washes in 6 M urea, 1x standard saline citrate (SSC), 0.1% SDS and one 10 min wash in 1x SSC, 0.1% Triton®X-100. The blots are rinsed for 10 min at room temperature with 1x SSC.

[0260] Blots are incubated for 10 min at room temperature with shaking in the substrate buffer consisting of 0.1 M diethanolamine, 1 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.02% sodium azide, pH 10.0. Individual blots are placed in heat sealable bags with substrate buffer and 0.2 mM AMPPD (3-(2'-spiroadamantane)-4-methoxy-4-(3'-phosphoryloxy)phenyl-1,2-dioxetane, disodium salt, Bio-Rad). After a 20 min incubation at room temperature with shaking, the excess AMPPD solution is removed. The blot is exposed to X-ray film overnight. Positive bands indicate the presence of BRCA1.

#### EXAMPLE 12

##### Generation of Polyclonal Antibody against BRCA1

[0261] Segments of BRCA1 coding sequence were expressed as fusion protein in *E. coli*. The overexpressed protein was purified by gel elution and used to immunize rabbits and mice using a procedure similar to the one described by Harlow and Lane, 1988. This procedure has been shown to generate Abs against various other proteins (for example, see Kraemer *et al.*, 1993).

[0262] Briefly, a stretch of BRCA1 coding sequence was cloned as a fusion protein in plasmid PET5A (Novagen, Inc., Madison, WI). The BRCA1 incorporated sequence includes the amino acids corresponding to #1361-1554 of SEQ ID NO:2. After induction with IPTG, the overexpression of a fusion protein with the expected molecular weight was verified by SDS/PAGE. Fusion protein was purified from the gel by electroelution. The identification of the protein as

the BRCA1 fusion product was verified by protein sequencing at the N-terminus. Next, the purified protein was used as immunogen in rabbits. Rabbits were immunized with 100 µg of the protein in complete Freund's adjuvant and boosted twice in 3 week intervals, first with 100 µg of immunogen in incomplete Freund's adjuvant followed by 100 µg of immunogen in PBS. Antibody containing serum is collected two weeks thereafter.

[0263] This procedure is repeated to generate antibodies against the mutant forms of the BRCA1 gene. These antibodies, in conjunction with antibodies to wild type BRCA1, are used to detect the presence and the relative level of the mutant forms in various tissues and biological fluids.

#### EXAMPLE 13

##### Generation of Monoclonal Antibodies Specific for BRCA1

[0264] Monoclonal antibodies are generated according to the following protocol. Mice are immunized with immunogen comprising intact BRCA1 or BRCA1 peptides (wild type or mutant) conjugated to keyhole limpet hemocyanin using glutaraldehyde or EDC as is well known.

[0265] The immunogen is mixed with an adjuvant. Each mouse receives four injections of 10 to 100 µg of immunogen and after the fourth injection blood samples are taken from the mice to determine if the serum contains antibody to the immunogen. Serum titer is determined by ELISA or RIA. Mice with sera indicating the presence of antibody to the immunogen are selected for hybridoma production.

[0266] Spleens are removed from immune mice and a single cell suspension is prepared (see Harlow and Lane, 1988). Cell fusions are performed essentially as described by Kohler and Milstein, 1975. Briefly, P3.65.3 myeloma cells (American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, MD) are fused with immune spleen cells using polyethylene glycol as described by Harlow and Lane, 1988. Cells are plated at a density of  $2 \times 10^5$  cells/well in 96 well tissue culture plates. Individual wells are examined for growth and the supernatants of wells with growth are tested for the presence of BRCA1 specific antibodies by ELISA or RIA using wild type or mutant BRCA1 target protein. Cells in positive wells are expanded and subcloned to establish and confirm monoclonality.

[0267] Clones with the desired specificities are expanded and grown as ascites in mice or in a hollow fiber system to produce sufficient quantities of antibody for characterization and assay development.

#### EXAMPLE 14

##### Sandwich Assay for BRCA1

[0268] Monoclonal antibody is attached to a solid surface such as a plate, tube, bead, or particle. Preferably, the antibody is attached to the well surface of a 96-well ELISA plate. 100 µl sample (e.g., serum, urine, tissue cytosol) containing the BRCA1 peptide/protein (wild-type or mutant) is added to the solid phase antibody. The sample is incubated for 2 hrs at room temperature. Next the sample fluid is decanted, and the solid phase is washed with buffer to remove unbound material. 100 µl of a second monoclonal antibody (to a different determinant on the BRCA1 peptide/protein) is added to the solid phase. This antibody is labeled with a detector molecule (e.g.,  $^{125}\text{I}$ , enzyme, fluorophore, or a chromophore) and the solid phase with the second antibody is incubated for two hrs at room temperature. The second antibody is decanted and the solid phase is washed with buffer to remove unbound material.

[0269] The amount of bound label, which is proportional to the amount of BRCA1 peptide/protein present in the sample, is quantitated. Separate assays are performed using monoclonal antibodies which are specific for the wild-type BRCA1 as well as monoclonal antibodies specific for each of the mutations identified in BRCA1.

##### Industrial Utility

[0270] As previously described above, the present invention provides materials and methods for use in testing BRCA1 alleles of an individual and an interpretation of the normal or predisposing nature of the alleles. Individuals at higher than normal risk might modify their lifestyles appropriately. In the case of BRCA1, the most significant non-genetic risk factor is the protective effect of an early, full term pregnancy. Therefore, women at risk could consider early childbearing or a therapy designed to simulate the hormonal effects of an early full-term pregnancy. Women at high risk would also strive for early detection and would be more highly motivated to learn and practice breast self examination. Such women would also be highly motivated to have regular mammograms, perhaps starting at an earlier age than the general population. Ovarian screening could also be undertaken at greater frequency. Diagnostic methods based on sequence analysis of the BRCA1 locus could also be applied to tumor detection and classification. Sequence analysis could be used to diagnose precursor lesions. With the evolution of the method and the accumulation of information about BRCA1 and other causative loci, it could become possible to separate cancers into benign and malignant.

[0271] Women with breast cancers may follow different surgical procedures if they are predisposed, and therefore likely to have additional cancers, than if they are not predisposed. Other therapies may be developed, using either peptides or small molecules (rational drug design). Peptides could be the missing gene product itself or a portion of the missing gene product. Alternatively, the therapeutic agent could be another molecule that mimics the deleterious gene's function, either a peptide or a nonpeptidic molecule that seeks to counteract the deleterious effect of the inherited locus. The therapy could also be gene based, through introduction of a normal BRCA1 allele into individuals to make a protein which will counteract the effect of the deleterious allele. These gene therapies may take many forms and may be directed either toward preventing the tumor from forming, curing a cancer once it has occurred, or stopping a cancer from metastasizing.

[0272] It will be appreciated that the methods and compositions of the instant invention can be incorporated in the form of a variety of embodiments, only a few of which are disclosed herein. It will be apparent to the artisan that other embodiments exist and do not depart from the spirit of the invention. Thus, the described embodiments are illustrative and should not be construed as restrictive.

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

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- (A) LENGTH: 1864 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

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 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

55 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:  
(B) CLONE: s754 A

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

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(A) LENGTH: 20 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:  
(B) CLONE: s754 B

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(B) CLONE: s975 A

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
- 15 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens
- 20 (vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
- (B) CLONE: s975 B
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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- 35 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
- 40 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
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- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens
- 45 (vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
- (B) CLONE: tdj1474 A
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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**CAGAGTGAGA CCTTGTCTCA AA**

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- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:
- 55 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 23 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: tdj1474 B

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

TTCTGCAAAC ACCTTAAACT CAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 20 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: tdj1239 A

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

AACCTGGAAG GCAGAGGTTG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 21 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens



(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

(B) CLONE: tdj1239 B

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

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TCTGTACCTG CTAAGCAGTG G

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 111 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

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(C) STRANDEDNESS: double

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 2..111

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

G GKC TTA CTC TGT TGT CCC AGC TGG AGT ACA GWG TGC GAT CAT GAG 46  
 Xaa Leu Leu Cys Cys Pro Ser Trp Ser Thr Xaa Cys Asp His Glu  
 1865 1870 1875

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GCT TAC TGT TGC TTG ACT CCT AGG CTC AAG CGA TCC TAT CAC CTC AGT 94  
 Ala Tyr Cys Cys Leu Thr Pro Arg Leu Lys Arg Ser Tyr His Leu Ser  
 1880 1885 1890 1895

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CTC CAA GTA GCT GGA CT 111  
 Leu Gln Val Ala Gly  
 1900

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 36 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

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Xaa Leu Leu Cys Cys Pro Ser Trp Ser Thr Xaa Cys Asp His Glu Ala  
 1 5 10 15  
 Tyr Cys Cys Leu Thr Pro Arg Leu Lys Arg Ser Tyr His Leu Ser Leu  
 20 25 30  
 Gln Val Ala Gly  
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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

### (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1534 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

### (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

### (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

### (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

### (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

### (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

GAGGCTAGAG GGCAGGCACT TTATGGCAAA CTCAGGTAGA ATTCTTCCTC TTCCGTCTCT 60  
 TTCCTTTTAC GTCATCGGGG AGACTGGGTG GCAATCGCAG CCCGAGAGAC GCATGGCTCT 120  
 TTCTGCCCTC CATCCTCTGA TGTACCTTGA TTTCGTATTC TGAGAGGCTG CTGCTTAGCG 180  
 GTAGCCCCTT GGTTCCTGTG GCAACGGAAA AGCGCGGGAA TTACAGATAA ATTAAACTG 240  
 CGACTGCGCG GCGTGAGCTC GCTGAGACTT CCTGGACCCC GCACCAGGCT GTGGGGTTTC 300  
 TCAGATAACT GGGCCCCTGC GCTCAGGAGG CCTTCACCCT CTGCTCTGGG TAAAGGTAGT 360  
 AGAGTCCCGG GAAAGGGACA GGGGGCCCAA GTGATGCTCT GGGGTACTGG CGTGGGAGAG 420  
 TGGATTTCG AAGCTGACAG ATGGGTATTC TTTGACGGGG GGTAGGGGCG GAACCTGAGA 480

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	GGCGTAAGGC GTTGTGAACC CTGGGGAGGG GGGCAGTTTG TAGGTCGCGA GGGAAGCGCT	540
5	GAGGATCAGG AAGGGGGCAC TGAGTGTCCG TGGGGGAATC CTCGTGATAG GAACTGGAAT	600
	ATGCCTTGAG GGGGACACTA TGTCTTTAAA AACGTCGGCT GGTGATGAGG TCAGGAGTTC	660
	CAGACCAGCC TGACCAACGT GGTGAAACTC CGTCTCTACT AAAAATACNA AAATTAGCCG	720
10	GGCGTGGTGC CGCTCCAGCT ACTCAGGAGG CTGAGGCAGG AGAATCGCTA GAACCCGGGA	780
	GGCGGAGGTT GCAGTGAGCC GAGATCGCGC CATTGCACTC CAGCCTGGGC GACAGAGCGA	840
15	GACTGTCTCA AAACAAAACA AAACAAAACA AAACAAAAAA CACCGGCTGG TATGTATGAG	900
	AGGATGGGAC CTTGTGGAAG AAGAGGTGCC AGGAATATGT CTGGGAAGGG GAGGAGACAG	960
	GATTTTGTGG GAGGGAGAAC TTAAGAACTG GATCCATTTG CGCCATTGAG AAAGCGCAAG	1020
20	AGGGAAGTAG AGGAGCGTCA GTAGTAACAG ATGCTGCCGG CAGGGATGTG CTTGAGGAGG	1080
	ATCCAGAGAT GAGAGCAGGT CACTGGGAAA GGTTAGGGGC GGGGAGGCCT TGATTGGTGT	1140
25	TGGTTTGGTC GTTGTGATT TTGGTTTTAT GCAAGAAAAA GAAAACAACC AGAAACATTG	1200
	GAGAAAGCTA AGGCTACCAC CACCTACCCG GTCAGTCACT CCTCTGTAGC TTTCTCTTTC	1260
30	TTGGAGAAAG GAAAAGACCC AAGGGGTTGG CAGCGATATG TGAAAAAATT CAGAATTTAT	1320
	GTTGTCTAAT TACAAAAAGC AACTTCTAGA ATCTTTAAAA ATAAAGGACG TTGTCATTAG	1380
	TTCTTCTGGT TTGTATTATT CTAAACCTT CCAAATCTTC AAATTTACTT TATTTTAAAA	1440
35	TGATAAAATG AAGTTGTCAT TTTATAAACC TTTTAAAAAG ATATATATAT ATGTTTTTCT	1500
	AATGTGTTAA AGTTCATTGG AACAGAAAGA AATG	1534

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1924 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

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	GAGGCTAGAG GGCAGGCACT TTATGGCAAA CTCAGGTAGA ATTCTTCCTC TTCCGTCTCT	60
5	TTCCTTTTAC GTCATCGGGG AGACTGGGTG GCAATCGCAG CCCGAGAGAC GCATGGCTCT	120
	TTCTGCCCTC CATCCTCTGA TGTACCTTGA TTTCGTATTC TGAGAGGCTG CTGCTTAGCG	180
	GTAGCCCCTT GGTTCCTG GCAACGGAAA AGCGCGGGAA TTACAGATAA ATTA AAACTG	240
10	CGACTGCGCG GCGTGAGCTC GCTGAGACTT CCTGGAACCC GCACCAGGCT GTGGGGTTTC	300
	TCAGATAACT GGGCCCCTGC GCTCAGGAGG CCTTCACCCT CTGCTCTGGG TAAAGGTAGT	360
15	AGAGTCCCGG GAAAGGGACA GGGGGCCCAA GTGATGCTCT GGGGTACTGG CGTGGGAGAG	420
	TGGATTTCCG AAGCTGACAG ATGGGTATTC TTGACGGGG GGTAGGGGCG GAACCTGAGA	480
	GGCGTAAGGC GTTGTGAACC CTGGGGAGGG GGGCAGTTTG TAGGTCGCGA GGAAGCGCT	540
20	GAGGATCAGG AAGGGGGCAC TGAGTGTCCG TGGGGGAATC CTCGTGATAG GAACTGGAAT	600
	ATGCCTTGAG GGGGACACTA TGTCTTTAAA AACGTCGGCT GGTCATGAGG TCAGGAGTTC	660
25	CAGACCAGCC TGACCAACGT GGTGAACTC CGTCTCTACT AAAAATACNA AAATTAGCCG	720
	GGCGTGGTGC CGCTCCAGCT ACTCAGGAGG CTGAGGCAGG AGAATCGCTA GAACCCGGGA	780
	GGCGGAGGTT GCAGTGAGCC GAGATCGCGC CATTGCACTC CAGCCTGGGC GACAGAGCGA	840
30	GA CTGTCTCA AAACAAAACA AAACAAAACA AAACAAAAAA CACCGGCTGG TATGTATGAG	900
	AGGATGGGAC CTTGTGGAAG AAGAGGTGCC AGGAATATGT CTGGGAAGGG GAGGAGACAG	960
35	GATTTTGTGG GAGGGAGAAC TTAAGAACTG GATCCATTTG CGCCATTGAG AAAGCGCAAG	1020
	AGGGAAGTAG AGGAGCGTCA GTAGTAACAG ATGCTGCCGG CAGGGATGTG CTTGAGGAGG	1080
	ATCCAGAGAT GAGAGCAGGT CACTGGGAAA GGTTAGGGGC GGGGAGGCCT TGATTGGTGT	1140
40	TGGTTTGGTC GTTGTGATT TTGGTTTTAT GCAAGAAAAA GAAAACAACC AGAAACATTG	1200
	GAGAAAGCTA AGGCTACCAC CACCTACCCG GTCAGTCACT CCTCTGTAGC TTTCTCTTTC	1260
45	TTGGAGAAAG GAAAAGACCC AAGGGGTGG CAGCGATATG TGAAAAAATT CAGAATTTAT	1320
	GTTGTCTAAT TACAAAAAGC AACTTCTAGA ATCTTTAAAA ATAAAGGACG TTGTCATTAG	1380
50	TTCTTCGGT TTGTATTATT CTAAACCTT CCAAATCTTC AAATTTACTT TATTTTAAAA	1440
	TGATAAAATG AAGTTGTCAT TTTATAAACC TTTTAAAAAG ATATATATAT ATGTTTTTCT	1500
	AATGTGTAA AGTTCATTGG AACAGAAAGA AATGGATTTA TCTGCTCTTC GCGTTGAAGA	1560
55	AGTACAAAAT GTCATTAATG CTATGCAGAA AATCTTAGAG TGTCCTCTCT GGTAAGTCAG	1620

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CACAAGAGTG TATTAATTTG GGATTCCTAT GATTATCTCC TATGCAAATG AACAGAATTG 1680  
 5 ACCTTACATA CTAGGGAAGA AAAGACATGT CTAGTAAGAT TAGGCTATTG TAATTGCTGA 1740  
 TTTTCTTAAC TGAAGAACTT TAAAAATATA GAAAATGATT CCTTGTTCTC CATCCACTCT 1800  
 GCCTCTCCCA CTCCTCTCCT TTTCAACACA ATCCTGTGGT CCGGGAAAGA CAGGGCTCTG 1860  
 10 TCTTGATTGG TTCTGCACTG GGCAGGATCT GTTAGATACT GCATTGCTT TCTCCAGCTC 1920  
 TAAA 1924

15 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

20 (A) LENGTH: 631 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

25 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

30 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:15:

35 AAATGCTGAT GATAGTATAG AGTATTGAAG GGATCAATAT AATTCTGTTT TGATATCTGA 60  
 AAGCTCACTG AAGGTAAGGA TCGTATTCTC TGCTGTATTC TCAGTTCCTG ACACAGCAGA 120  
 40 CATTTAATAA ATATTGAACG AACTTGAGGC CTTATGTTGA CTCAGTCATA ACAGCTCAAA 180  
 GTTGAACCTTA TTCACTAAGA ATAGCTTTAT TTTTAAATAA ATTATTGAGC CTCATTTATT 240  
 45 TTCTTTTTTCT CCCCCCCTA CCCTGCTAGT CTGGAGTTGA TCAAGGAACC TGTCTCCACA 300  
 AAGTGTGACC ACATATTTTG CAAGTAAGTT TGAATGTGTT ATGTGGCTCC ATTATTAGCT 360  
 TTTGTTTTTG TCCTTCATAA CCCAGGAAAC ACCTAACTTT ATAGAAGCTT TACTTTCTTC 420  
 50 AATTAAGTGA GAACGAAAAT CCAACTCCAT TTCATTCTTT CTCAGAGAGT ATATAGTTAT 480  
 CAAAAGTTGG TTGTAATCAT AGTTCCTGGT AAAGTTTGA CATATATTAT CTTTTTTTTT 540  
 55 TTTTGAGACA AGTCTCGCTC TGTCGCCCAG GCTGGAGTGC AGTGGCATGA GGCTTGCTCA 600  
 CTGCACCTCC GCCCCCGAGT TCAGCGACTC T 631

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:16:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 5 (A) LENGTH: 481 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

10 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

15 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:16:

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TGAGATCTAG ACCACATGGT CAAAGAGATA GAATGTGAGC AATAAATGAA CCTTAAATTT 60  
TTCAACAGCT ACTTTTTTTT TTTTTTTT AGACAGGGKC TTACTCTGTT GTCCCAGCTG 120  
25 GAGTACAGWG TGCGATCATG AGGCTTACTG TTGCTTGACT CCTAGGCTCA AGCGATCCTA 180  
TCACCTCAGT CTCCAAGTAG CTGGACTGTA AGTGCACACC ACCATATCCA GCTAAATTTT 240  
30 GTGTTTTCTG TAGAGACGGG GTTTCGCCAT GTTTCOCAGG CTGGTCTTGA ACTTTGGGCT 300  
TAACCCGTCT GCCCACCTAG GCATCCCCAA GTGCTAGGAT TACAGGTGTG AGTCATCATG 360  
CCTGGCCAGT ATTTTAGTTA GCTCTGTCTT TTCAAGTCAT ATACAAGTTC ATTTTCTTTT 420  
35 AAGTTTAGTT AACAACTTA TATCATGTAT TCTTTTCTAG CATAAAGAAA GATTCGAGGC 480  
C 481

40 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:17:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 45 (A) LENGTH: 522 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

50 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

55 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:17:

5	TGTGATCATA ACAGTAAGCC ATATGCATGT AAGTTCAGTT TTCATAGATC ATTGCTTATG	60
	TAGTTTAGGT TTTTGCTTAT GCAGCATCCA AAAACAATTA GGAAACTATT GCTTGTAATT	120
	CACCTGCCAT TACTTTTTAA ATGGCTCTTA AGGGCAGTTG TGAGATTATC TTTTCATGGC	180
10	TATTTGCCTT TTGAGTATTC TTTCTACAAA AGGAAGTAAA TTAAATTGTT CTTTCTTTCT	240
	TTATAATTTA TAGATTTTGC ATGCTGAAAC TTCTCAACCA GAAGAAAGGG CCTTCACAGT	300
15	GTCCTTTATG TAAGAATGAT ATAACCAAAA GGTATATAAT TTGGTAATGA TGCTAGGTTG •	360
	GAAGCAACCA CAGTAGGAAA AAGTAGAAAT TATTTAATAA CATAGCGTTC CTATAAAACC	420
	ATTCATCAGA AAAATTTATA AAAGAGTTTT TAGCACACAG TAAATTATTT CCAAAGTTAT	480
20	TTTCCTGAAA GTTTTATGGG CATCTGCCTT ATACAGGTAT TG	522

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:

25 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 465 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
 30 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

35 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

40 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

45	GGTAGGCTTA AATGAATGAC AAAAAGTTAC TAAATCACTG CCATCACACG GTTTATACAG	60
	ATGTCAATGA TGTATTGATT ATAGAGGTTT TCTACTGTTG CTGCATCTTA TTTTATTG	120
	TTTACATGTC TTTTCTTATT TTAGTGTCTT TAAAAGGTTG ATAATCACTT GCTGAGTGTG	180
50	TTTCTCAAAC AATTTAATTT CAGGAGCCTA CAAGAAAGTA CGAGATTTAG TCAACTTGTT	240
	GAAGAGCTAT TGAAAATCAT TTGTGCTTTT CAGCTTGACA CAGGTTTGGA GTGTAAGTGT	300
	TGAATATCCC AAGAATGACA CTCAAGTGCT GTCCATGAAA ACTCAGGAAG TTTGCACAAT	360
55	TACTTTCTAT GACGTGGTGA TAAGACCTTT TAGTCTAGGT TAATTTTAGT TCTGTATCTG	420

TAATCTATTT TAAAAAATTA CTCCCACTGG TCTCACACCT TATTT

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5 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

10 (A) LENGTH: 513 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

15 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

20 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:19:

25 AAAAAATCAC AGGTAACCTT AATGCATTGT CTTAACACAA CAAAGAGCAT ACATAGGGTT 60  
TCTCTTGGTT TCTTTGATTA TAATTCATAC ATTTTCTCT AACTGCAAAC ATAATGTTTT 120  
30 CCCTTGATTT TTACAGATGC AAACAGCTAT AATTTTGCAA AAAAGGAAAA TAACTCTCCT 180  
GAACATCTAA AAGATGAAGT TTCTATCATC CAAAGTATGG GCTACAGAAA CCGTGCCAAA 240  
35 AGACTTCTAC AGAGTGAACC CGAAAATCCT TCCTTGGTAA AACCATTTGT TTTCTTCTTC 300  
TTCTTCTTCT TCTTTTCTTT TTTTCTTCTT TTTTCTTTTG AGATGGAGTC TTGCTCTGTG 360  
GCCCAGGCTA GAAGCAGTCC TCCTGCCTTA GCCNCCTTAG TAGCTGGGAT TACAGGCACG 420  
40 CGCACCATGC CAGGCTAATT TTTGTATTTT TAGTAGAGAC GGGGTTTCAT CATGTTGGCC 480  
AGGCTGGTCT CGAACTCCTA ACCTCAGGTG ATC 513

45 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:20:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

50 (A) LENGTH: 6769 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

55 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO



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(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:20:

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	ATGATGGAGA TCTTAAAAAG TAATCATTCT GGGGCTGGGC GTAGTAGCTT GCACCTGTAA	60
	TCCCAGCACT TCGGGAGGCT GAGGCAGGCA GATAATTTGA GGTGAGGAGT TTGAGACCAG	120
10	CCTGGCCAAC ATGGTGAAAC CCATCTCTAC TAAAAATACA AAAATTAGCT GGGTGTGGTG	180
	GCACGTACCT GTAATCCAG CTACTCGGGA GCGGAGGCA CAAGAATTGC TTGAACCTAG	240
15	GACGCGGAGG TTGCAGCGAG CCAAGATCGC GCCACTGCAC TCCAGCCTGG GCCGTAGAGT	300
	GAGACTCTGT CTCAAAAAAG AAAAAAAGT AATTGTTCTA GCTGGGCGCA GTGGCTCTTG	360
	CCTGTAATCC CAGCACTTTG GGAGGCCAAG GCGGGTGGAT CTCGAGTCCT AGAGTTCAAG	420
20	ACCAGCCTAG GCAATGTGGT GAAACCCCAT CGCTACAAAA AATACAAAAA TTAGCCAGGC	480
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25	ACCCAGGAGA CAGAGGTTGC AGTGAACCGA GATCACGCCA CCACGCTCCA GCCTGGGCAA	600
	CAGAACAAGA CTCTGTCTAA AAAAATACAA ATAAAATAAA AGTAGTTCTC ACAGTACCAG	660
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40	GTTGCAGTGT GCCGAGATCA CGCCACTGCA CTCTAGCCTG GCAACAGAGC AAGATTCTGT	1080
	CTCAAAAAAA AAAACATAT ATACACATAT ATCCCAAAGT GCTGGGATTA CATATATATA	1140
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	AACATATATA TATGTAATAT ATATGTGATA TATATATAAT ATATATATGT AATATATATG	1260
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50	ACAAATTAGC CAGGCATAGT TGCACACGCT TGGTAGACCC AGCTACTCAG GAGGCTGAGG	1380
	GAGGAGAATC TCTTGAACCT AGGAGGCGGA GGTGTCAGTG AGCTGAGATT GCGCCACTGC	1440
55	ACTCCAGCCT GGGTGACAGA GCAGGACTCT GTACACCCCC CAAAACAAAA AAAAAAGTTA	1500

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10	ABCTCTCCAA RGTGCTGGGG ATWATAGGCA TGARCTAACC GCACCCAGCC CCAGACATTT	1800
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	GTCAATTTAT TTTGTCCATG GTGTCAAGTT TCTCTTCAGG AGGAAAAGCA CAGAACTGGC	1920
15	CAACAATTGC TTGACTGTTC TTTACCATAC TGTTTAGCAG GAAACCAGTC TCAGTGTCCA	1980
	ACTCTCTAAC CTTGGAAGTG TGAGAACTCT GAGGACAAAG CAGCGGATAC AACCTCAAAA	2040
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25	CGCAGTTCCC ACCTTGAAGA ATCTTACTTT AAAAAGGGAG CAAAAGAGGC CAGGCATGGT	2280
	GGCTCACACC TGTAATCCCA GCACTTTGGG AGGCCAAAGT GGGTGGATCA CCTGAGGTCG	2340
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35	GCCTGGGCAA AAATAGCGAA ACTCCATCTA AAAAAAAAAA AGAGAGCAA AGAAAGAMTM	2580
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40	ACATGATGGA TTGCTACAGT ATTTAGTTCC AAGATAAATT GTACTAGATG AGGAAGCCTT	2700
	TTAAGAAGAG CTGAATTGCC AGGCGCAGTG GCTCACGCCT GTAATCCCAG CACTTTGGGA	2760
	GGCCGAGGTG GGCGGATCAC CTGAGGTCGG GAGTTCAAGA CCAGCCTGAC CAACATGGAG	2820
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50	TCTCAAAAAA AAAAAAAAAA AGCTGAATCT TGGCTGGGCA GGATGGCTCG TGCCTGTAAT	3060
	CCTAACGCTT TGGAAGACCG AGGCAGAAGG ATTGGTTGAG TCCACGAGTT TAAGACCAGC	3120
55	CTGGCCAACA TAGGGGAACC CTGTCTCTAT TTTTAAATA ATAATACATT TTTGGCCGGT	3180

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5	GGTCAGAGTT CGAGACCAGC CTGGATAACC TGGTGAAACC CCTCTTTACT AAAAATACAA	3300
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	GCTGAGGCAG GAGAATCGCT TGAACCAGGG AGGCGGAGGT TACAATGAGC CAACACTACA	3420
10	CCACTGCACT CCAGCCTGGG CAATAGAGTG AGACTGCATC TCAAAAAAAT AATAATTTTT	3480
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:21:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 4249 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:21:

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5 TGACATCATC TCTTTGAATT AATGGCACAA TTGTTTGTGG TTCATTGTC 4249

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:22:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 710 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:22:

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35 CCATACTAGG TGATTTCAAT TCCTGTGCTA AAATTAATTT GTATGATATA TTNTCATTTA 240

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40 GTTAGAACAG CATGGGAGCC AGCCTTCTAA CAGCTACCCT TCCATCATAA GTGACTCTTC 420

TGCCCTTGAG GACCTGCGAA ATCCAGAACA AAGCACATCA GAAAAAGGTG TGTATTGTTG 480

45 GCCAAACACT GATATCTTAA GCAAAATTCT TTCCTTCCCC TTTATCTCCT TCTGAAGAGT 540

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GGTTCTTGTC CCTGCTCACA ACTAATATAC CAGTCAGAGG GACCCAAGGC AGTCATTCAT 660

50 GTTGTCATCT GAGATACCTA CAACAAGTAG ATGCTATGGG GAGCCCATGG 710

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:23:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 473 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid



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(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:23:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:24:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 421 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:24:

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 10 ACCTTTCTTT CCTTCCTCCC TTCCTTTTCT TTTCTTTCTT TCCTTTCCTT TTCTTTCCTT 240  
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:25:

25 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 997 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

30 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

35 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

40 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:25:

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15	CAGCTGGAAG AGTCTGGGCC ACACGATTTG ACGGAAACAT CTTACTTGCC AAGGCAAGAT	420
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:26:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 639 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:26:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:27:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 922 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:27:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:28:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 867 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:28:

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5 GATCTATAGC TAGCCTTGGC GTCTAGAAGA TGGGTGTTGA GAAGAGGGAG TGGAAAGATA 60  
 TTTCTCTGG TCTTAACTTC ATATCAGCCT CCCCTAGACT TCCAAATATC CATACCTGCT 120  
 GGTATAATT AGTGGTGTTT TCAGCCTCTG ATTCTGTCAC CAGGGGTTTT AGAATCATAA 180  
 ATCCAGATTG ATCTTGGGAG TGTA AAAAAC TGAGGCTCTT TAGCTTCTTA GGACAGCACT 240  
 10 TCCTGATTTT GTTTTCAACT TCTAATCCTT TGAGTGTTTT TCATTCTGCA GATGCTGAGT 300  
 TTGTGTGTGA ACGGACACTG AAATATTTTC TAGGAATTGC GGGAGGAAAA TGGGTAGTTA 360  
 GCTATTTCTG TAAGTATAAT ACTATTTCTC CCCTCCTCCC TTAAACACCT CAGAATTGCA 420  
 15 TTTTACACC TAACATTTAA CACCTAAGGT TTTTGCTGAT GCTGAGTCTG AGTTACCAAA 480  
 AGGTCTTTAA ATTGTAATAC TAAACTACTT TTATCTTTAA TATCACTTTG TTCAAGATAA 540  
 20 GCTGGTGATG CTGGGAAAAT GGGTCTCTTT TATAACTAAT AGGACCTAAT CTGCTCCTAG 600  
 CAATGTTAGC ATATGAGCTA GGGATTTATT TAATAGTCGG CAGGAATCCA TGTGCARCAG 660  
 25 NCAAACTTAT AATGTTTAAA TTAAACATCA ACTCTGTCTC CAGAAGGAAA CTGCTGCTAC 720  
 AAGCCTTATT AAAGGGCTGT GGCTTTAGAG GGAAGGACCT CTCCTCTGTC ATTCTTCCTG 780  
 TGCTCTTTTG TGAATCGCTG ACCTCTCTAT CTCCGTGAAA AGAGCACGTT CTTCTGCTGT 840  
 30 ATGTAACCTG TCTTTTCTAT GATCTCT 867

35 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:29:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

40 (A) LENGTH: 561 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

45 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

50 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:29:

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	NAAAAACGGG GNNGGGANTG GGCCTTAAAN CCAAAGGGCN AACTCCCCAA CCATTNAAAA	60
5	ANTGACNNGG GATTATTAAA ANCGGCGGGA AACATTTAC NGCCCAACTA ATATTGTAA	120
	ATTAAAACCA CCACCNCTGC NCCAAGGAGG GAAACTGCTG CTACAAGCCT TATTAAAGGG	180
	CTGTGGCTTT AGAGGGAAGG ACCTCTCCTC TGTCAATCTT CCTGTGCTCT TTTGTGAATC	240
10	GCTGACCTCT CTATGTCCGT GAAAAGAGCA CGTTCCTCGT CTGTATGTAA CCTGTCTTTT	300
	CTATGATCTC TTTAGGGGTG ACCCAGTCTA TTAAAGAAAG AAAAATGCTG AATGAGGTAA	360
15	GTACTTGATG TTACAAACTA ACCAGAGATA TTCATTCAGT CATATAGTTA AAAATGTATT	420
	TGCTTCCTTC CATCAATGCA CCACTTTCCT TAACAATGCA CAAATTTTCC ATGATAATGA	480
	GGATCATCAA GAATTATGCA GGCCTGCACT GTGGCTCATA CCTATAATCC CAGCGCTTTG	540
20	GGAGGCTGAG GCGCTTGGAT C	561

## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:30:

### 25 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 567 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- 30 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

### (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

### 35 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

### (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

### (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

### 40 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:30:

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AATTTTTTGT ATTTTATAGTA GAGATGAGGT TCACCATGTT GGTCTAGATC TGGTGTGCGAA 60  
 CGTCCTGACC TCAAGTGATC TGCCAGCCTC AGTCTCCCAA AGTGCTAGGA TTACAGGGGT 120  
 5 GAGCCACTGC GCCTGGCCTG AATGCCTAAA ATATGACGTG TCTGCTCCAC TTCCATTGAA 180  
 GGAAGCTTCT CTTTCTCTTA TCCTGATGGG TTGTGTTTGG TTTCTTTCAG CATGATTTTG 240  
 10 AAGTCAGAGG AGATGTGGTC AATGGAAGAA ACCACCAAGG TCCAAAGCGA GCAAGAGAAT 300  
 CCCAGGACAG AAAGGTAAAG CTCCCTCCCT CAAGTTGACA AAAATCTCAC CCCACCACTC 360  
 TGTATTCCAC TCCCCTTTGC AGAGATGGGC CGCTTCATTT TGTAAGACTT ATTACATACA 420  
 15 TACACAGTGC TAGATACTTT CACACAGGTT CTTTTTTCAC TCTTCCATCC CAACCACATA 480  
 AATAAGTATT GTCTCTACTT TATGAATGAT AAAACTAAGA GATTTAGAGA GGCTGTGTAA 540  
 20 TTTGGATTCC CGTCTCGGGT TCAGATC 567

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:31:

25 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 633 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
 30 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

35 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

40 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:31:

TTGGCCTGAT TGGTGACAAA AGTGAGATGC TCAGTCCTTG AATGACAAAG AATGCCTGTA 60  
 45 GAGTTGCAGG TCCAACTACA TATGCACTTC AAGAAGATCT TCTGAAATCT AGTAGTGTTT 120  
 TGGACATTGG ACTGCTTGTC CCTGGGAAGT AGCAGCAGAA ATGATCGGTG GTGAACAGAA 180  
 50 GAAAAAGAAA AGCTCTTCCT TTTTGAAAGT CTGTTTTTTT AATAAAAGCC AATATTCTTT 240

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5 TATAACTAGA TTTTCCTTCT CTCCATTCCC CTGTCCCTCT CTCTTCCTCT CTTCTTCCAG 300  
 ATCTTCAGGG GGCTAGAAAT CTGTTGCTAT GGGCCCTTCA CCAACATGCC CACAGGTAAG 360  
 AGCCTGGGAG AACCCCAGAG TTCCAGCACC AGCCTTTGTC TTACATAGTG GAGTATTATA 420  
 AGCAAGGTCC CACGATGGGG GTTCCTCAGA TTGCTGAAAT GTTCTAGAGG CTATTCTATT 480  
 10 TCTCTACCAC TCTCCAAACA AAACAGCACC TAAATGTTAT CCTATGGCAA AAAAAAATA 540  
 TACCTTGTC CCCTTCTCAA GAGCATGAAG GTGGTTAATA GTTAGGATTC AGTATGTTAT 600  
 15 GTGTTTCAGAT GGCCTTGAGC TGCTGTTAGT GCC 633

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:32:

20 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 470 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

25 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

30 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

35 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:32:

TTTGAGAGAC TATCAAACCT TATACCAAGT GGCCTTATGG AGACTGATAA CCAGAGTACA 60  
 40 TGGCATATCA GTGGCAAATT GACTTAAAAT CCATACCCCT ACTATTTTAA GACCATTGTC 120  
 CTTTGGAGCA GAGAGACAGA CTCTCCCAT T GAGAGGTCTT GCTATAAGCC TTCATCCGGA 180  
 GAGTGTAGGG TAGAGGGCCT GGGTTAAGTA TGCAGATTAC TGCAGTGATT TTACATGTAA 240  
 45 ATGTCCATTT TAGATCAACT GGAATGGATG GTACAGCTGT GTGGTGCTTC TGTGGTGAAG 300  
 GAGCTTTCAT CATTACCCCT TGGCACAGTA AGTATTGGGT GCCCTGTCAG TGTGGGAGGA 360  
 50 CACAATATTC TCTCCTGTGA GCAAGACTGG CACCTGTCAG TCCCTATGGA TGCCCCTACT 420  
 GTAGCCTCAG AAGTCTTCTC TGCCACATA CCTGTGCCAA AAGACTCCAT 470

55 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:33:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

EP 0 699 754 B1

- (A) LENGTH: 517 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:33:

GGTGGTACGT GTCTGTAGTT CCAGCTACTT GGGAGGCTGA GATGGAAGGA TTGCTTGAGC	60
CCAGGAGGCA GAGGTGGNAN NTTACGCTGA GATCACACCA CTGCACTCCA GCCTGGGTGA	120
CAGAGCAAGA CCCTGTCTCA AAAACAAACA AAAAAAATGA TGAAGTGACA GTTCCAGTAG	180
TCCTACTTTG ACACTTTGAA TGCTCTTTCC TTCCTGGGGA TCCAGGGTGT CCACCCAATT	240
GTGGTTGTGC AGCCAGATGC CTGGACAGAG GACAATGGCT TCCATG3TAA GGTGCCTCGC	300
ATGTACCTGT GCTATTAGTG GGGTCCTTGT GCATGGGTTT GGTTCATCAC TCATTACCTG	360
GTGCTTGAGT AGCACAGTTC TTGGCACATT TTTAAATATT TGTGAATGA ATGGCTAAAA	420
TGTCTTTTGT ATGTTTTTAT TGTTATTTGT TTTATATTGT AAAAGTAATA CATGAACTGT	480
TTCCATGGGG TGGGAGTAAG ATATGAATGT TCATCAC	517

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:34:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 434 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:34:

EP 0 699 754 B1

5 CAGTAATCCT NAGAACTCAT ACGACCGGGC CCCTGGAGTC GNTGNTTNGA GCCTAGTCCN 60  
 GGAGAATGAA TTGACACTAA TCTCTGCTTG TGTCTCTGT CTCCAGCAAT TGGGCAGATG 120  
 TGTGAGGCAC CTGTGGTGAC CCGAGAGTGG GTGTTGGACA GTGTAGCACT CTACCAGTGC 180  
 CAGGAGCTGG ACACCTACCT GATACCCAG ATCCCCACA GCCACTACTG ACTGCAGCCA 240  
 10 GCCACAGGTA CAGAGCCACA GGACCCCAAG AATGAGCTTA CAAAGTGGCC TTTCCAGGCC 300  
 CTGGGAGCTC CTCTCACTCT TCAGTCCTTC TACTGTCCTG GCTACTAAAT ATTTTATGTA 360  
 CATCAGCCTG AAAAGGACTT CTGGCTATGC AAGGGTCCCT TAAAGATTTT CTGCTTGAAG 420  
 15 TCTCCCTTGG AAAT 434

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:35:

20 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
 25 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

30 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:35:

35 GATAAATTAA AACTGCGACT GCGCGGCGTG 30

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:36:

40 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
 45 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

50 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

55 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:36:

GTAGTAGAGT CCCGGGAAAG GGACAGGGGG 30

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:37:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 5 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

10 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- 15 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:37:

20 ATATATATAT GTTTTCTAA TGTGTTAAAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:38:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 25 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
30 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

35 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:38:

40 GTAAGTCAGC ACAAGAGTGT ATTAATTG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:39:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 45 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
50 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

55 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:39:

TTTCTTTTTC TCCCCCCCCT ACCCTGCTAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:40:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:40:

GTAAGTTTGA ATGTGTTATG TGGCTCCATT

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:41:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:41:

AGCTACTTTT TTTTTTTTTT TTTGAGACAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:42:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:42:

**GTAAGTGCAC ACCACCATAT CCAGCTAAAT**

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:43:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:43:

**AATTGTTCTT TCTTTCTTTA TAATTTATAG**

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:44:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:44:

**GTATATAATT TGGTAATGAT GCTAGGTTGG**

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:45:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:45:

GAGTGTGTTT CTCAAACAAT TTAATTTTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:46:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:46:

GTAAGTGTG AATATCCCAA GAATGACACT

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:47:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:47:

AAACATAATG TTTTCCCTTG TATTTTACAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:48:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 5 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

10 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- 15 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:48:

20 GTAAAACCAT TTGTTTTCTT CTTCTTCTTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:49:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 25 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

30 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- 35 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:49:

40 TGCTTGACTG TTCTTTACCA TACTGTTTAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:50:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 45 (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- 55 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens



(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:50:

GTAAGGGTCT CAGGTTTTTT AAGTATTAA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:51:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:51:

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TGATTATTT TTTGGGGGA AATTTTATAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:52:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:52:

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GTGAGTCAAA GAGAACCTTT GTCTATGAAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:53:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:53:

TCTTATTAGG ACTCTGTCTT TTCCCTATAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:54:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:54:

GTAAATGGCAA AGTTTGCCAA CTTAACAGGC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:55:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:55:

GAGTACCTTG TTATTTTGT ATATTTTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:56:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

5 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

10 (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:56:

15 GTATTGGAAC CAGGTTTTTG TGTTCGCCCC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:57:

20 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:57:

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ACATCTGAAC CTCTGTTTTT GTTATTTAAG

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40 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:58:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:58:

AGGTAAAAAG CGTGTGTGTG TGTGCACATG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:59:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:59:

CATTTTCTTG GTACCATTTA TCGTTTTTGA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:60:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:60:

GTGTGTATTG TTGGCCAAAC ACTGATATCT

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:61:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:61:

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AGTAGATTTG TTTTCTCATT CCATTTAAAG

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(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:62:

GTAAGAAACA TCAATGTAAA GATGCTGTGG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:63:

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(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:63:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:64:

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(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
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(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

5 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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GTAATATTTT ATCTGCTGTA TTGGAACAAA

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

20 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:65:

TGTAAATTAA ACTTCTCCCA TTCCTTTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:66:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

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(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:66:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:67:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:67:

ATGATAATGG AATATTTGAT TTAATTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:68:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:68:

GTATACCAAG AACCTTTACA GAATACCTTG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:69:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:69:

CTAATCCTTT GAGTGTTTTT CATTCTGCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:70:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:70:

GTAAGTATAA TACTATTTCT CCCCTCCTCC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:71:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:71:

TGTAACCTGT CTTTCTATG ATCTCTTTAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:72:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO



(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:72:

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GTAAGTACTT GATGTTACAA ACTAACCAGA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:73:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:73:

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TCCTGATGGG TTGTGTTTGG TTTCTTTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:74:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:  
(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:74:

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GTAAAGCTCC CTCCTCAAG TTGACAAAAA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:75:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:75:

CTGTCCCTCT CTCTTCCTCT CTTCTTCCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:76:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:76:

GTAAGAGCCT GGGAGAACCC CAGAGTTCCA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:77:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:77:

AGTGATTTTA CATGTAAATG TCCATTTTAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:78:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:78:

GTAAGTATTG GGTGCCCTGT CAGTGTGGGA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:79:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:79:

TTGAATGCTC TTTCCTTCCT GGGGATCCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:80:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:80:

GTAAGGTGCC TCGCATGTAC CTGTGCTATT

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:81:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:81:

CTAATCTCTG CTTGTGTTCT CTGTCTCCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:82:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 42 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS:
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:82:

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Cys Pro Ile Cys Leu Glu Leu Ile Lys Glu Pro Val Ser Thr Lys Cys  
1 5 10 15

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Asp His Ile Phe Cys Lys Phe Cys Met Leu Lys Leu Leu Asn Gln Lys  
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Lys Gly Pro Ser Gln Cys Pro Leu Cys Lys  
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:83:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 45 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS:
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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15 Cys Pro Ile Cys Leu Glu Leu Leu Lys Glu Pro Val Ser Ala Asp Cys  
1 5 10 15  
Asn His Ser Phe Cys Arg Ala Cys Ile Thr Leu Asn Tyr Glu Ser Asn  
20 25 30  
20 Arg Asn Thr Asp Gly Lys Gly Asn Cys Pro Val Cys Arg  
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:84:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 41 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS:
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:84:

40 Cys Pro Ile Cys Leu Asp Met Leu Lys Asn Thr Met Thr Thr Lys Glu  
1 5 10 15  
Cys Leu His Arg Phe Cys Ser Asp Cys Ile Val Thr Ala Leu Arg Ser  
20 25 30  
45 Gly Asn Lys Glu Cys Pro Thr Cys Arg  
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:85:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 42 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS:
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:85:

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Cys Pro Val Cys Leu Gln Tyr Phe Ala Glu Pro Met Met Leu Asp Cys  
 1 5 10 15

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Gly His Asn Ile Cys Cys Ala Cys Leu Ala Arg Cys Trp Gly Thr Ala  
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Cys Thr Asn Val Ser Cys Pro Gln Cys Arg  
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**Claims**

1. A method for diagnosing a predisposition for breast and ovarian cancer in human subject which comprises determining in a tissue sample of said subject whether there is a germline alteration in the sequence of the BRCA1 gene coding for a BRCA1 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ. ID. NO:2 or a sequence with at least 95% identity to that sequence, said alteration being indicative of a predisposition to said cancer.
2. A method for diagnosing a lesion of a human subject for neoplasia associated with the BRCA1 gene locus which comprises determining in a sample from said lesion whether there is an alteration in the sequence of the BRCA1 gene coding for a BRCA1 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ. ID. NO:2 or a sequence with at least 95% identity to that sequence, said alteration being indicative of neoplasia.
3. A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein said lesion is a breast or ovarian lesion.
4. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the sequence of the BRCA1 gene in said sample is compared with the sequence of one or more wild-type BRCA1 gene sequences selected from the sequence set forth in SEQ.ID. NO:1 from nucleotide 120 to nucleotide 5708 and wild-type allelic variants thereof.
5. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein sequence of an expression product of the BRCA1 gene in said sample is investigated.
6. A method as claimed in claim 5 wherein said expression product is mRNA.
7. A method as claimed in claim 6 wherein mRNA of said sample is contacted with a BRCA1 gene probe under conditions suitable for hybridization of said probe to an RNA corresponding to said BRCA1 gene and hybridization of said probe is determined.
8. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein a BRCA1 gene probe is contacted with genomic DNA isolated from said sample under conditions suitable for hybridization of said probe to said gene and hybridization of said probe is determined.
9. A method as claimed in claim 7 or claim 8 wherein said probe is a mutant, allele specific probe.
10. A method as claimed in claim 5 wherein said expression product is the polypeptide encoded by the BRCA1 gene in said sample.
11. A method as claimed in claim 10 wherein said polypeptide is detected by immunoblotting or immunocytochemistry.
12. A method as claimed in claim 10 wherein binding interaction is assayed between the BRCA1 gene protein isolated from said sample and a binding partner capable of specifically binding the polypeptide expression product of a mutant BRCA1 allele and/or a binding partner for the BRCA1 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ.ID No:2.

13. A method as claimed in claim 12 wherein inhibition of biochemical activity of said binding partner is determined.
14. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 which comprises determining whether there is an alteration in the germline sequence of the BRCA1 gene in said sample by observing shifts in electrophoretic mobility of single-stranded DNA from said sample on non-denaturing polyacrylamide gels.
15. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein all or pan of the BRCA1 gene from said sample is amplified and the sequence of said amplified sequence is determined.
16. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein oligonucleotide primers are employed to determine whether a specific BRCA1 mutant allele can be identified in said sample by nucleic acid amplification.
17. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein all or part of the BRCA1 gene from said sample is cloned to produce a cloned sequence and the sequence of said cloned sequence is determined.
18. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 6 which comprises determining whether there is a mismatch between molecules (1) BRCA1 gene genomic DNA or BRCA1 mRNA isolated from said sample, and (2) a nucleic acid probe complementary to human wild-type BRCA 1 gene DNA, when molecules (1) and (2) are hybridized to each other to form a duplex.
19. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein amplification of BRCA1 gene sequences in said sample is carried out and hybridization of the amplified sequences to one or more nucleic acid probes which comprise a wild-type BRCA1 gene sequence or a mutant BRCA1 gene sequence including a mutation is determined.
20. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 which comprises determining *in situ* hybridization of the BRCA1 gene in said sample with one or more nucleic acid probes which comprise a wild-type BRCA1 gene sequence or a mutant BRCA1 gene sequence including a mutation.
21. A method as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the alteration screened for is a deletion mutation.
22. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 20 wherein the alteration screened for is a point mutation.
23. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 20 wherein the alteration screened for is an insertion mutation.
24. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 20 wherein the alteration screened for is a mutation selected from the mutations set forth in Table 11.
25. A method for diagnosing a predisposition for breast and ovarian cancer in a human subject which comprises determining in a tissue sample of said subject the level of an expression product of the BRCA1 gene, said gene coding for a BRCA1 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ.ID. No:2 or a sequence with at least 95% identity to that sequence.
26. A method for diagnosing a lesion of a human subject for neoplasia associated with the BRCA1 gene locus which comprises determining in a sample from said lesion the level of an expression product of the BRCA1 gene, said gene coding for a BRCA1 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ.ID NO:2 or a sequence with at least 95% identity to that sequence.
27. A method as claimed in claim 26 wherein said lesion is a breast or ovarian lesion.
28. A method as claimed in any one of claims 25 to 27 wherein said expression product is mRNA.
29. A method as claimed in any one of claims 25 to 27 wherein said expression product is the polypeptide encoded by the BRCA1 gene.

#### Patentansprüche

1. Verfahren zum Diagnostizieren einer Prädisposition für Brust- oder Eierstockkrebs beim Menschen, welches das

Bestimmen in einer Gewebeprobe des Menschen dessen umfasst, ob eine Keimbahn-Veränderung in der Sequenz des BRCA1-Gens vorliegt, das für ein BRCA1-Polypeptid mit der in SEQ.ID.Nr.2 angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer Sequenz mit mindestens 95% Identität zu jener Sequenz kodiert, wobei diese Veränderung eine Prädisposition für den Krebs anzeigt.

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2. Verfahren zum Diagnostizieren einer Läsion bei einem Menschen auf eine Neoplasie, die mit dem BRCA1-Genlocus zusammen hängt, welches das Bestimmen in einer Probe von dieser Läsion dessen umfasst, ob eine Veränderung in der Sequenz des BRCA1-Gens vorliegt, das für ein BRCA1-Polypeptid mit der in SEQ.ID.Nr.2 angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer Sequenz mit mindestens 95% Identität zu jener Sequenz kodiert, wobei diese Veränderung eine Neoplasie anzeigt.  
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3. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, wobei diese Läsion eine Brust- oder Eierstockläsion ist.
4. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 3, wobei die Sequenz des BRCA1-Gens in der Probe mit der Sequenz eines oder mehrerer Wildtyp-BRCA1-Gensequenzen, gewählt aus der in SEQ. ID. Nr. 1 von Nukelotid 120 bis Nukleotid 5708 angegebenen Sequenz und deren Wildtyp-allelen Varianten, verglichen wird.  
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5. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 3, wobei die Sequenz eines Expressionsprodukts des BRCA1-Gens in der Probe untersucht wird.  
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6. Verfahren nach Anspruch 5, wobei das Expressionsprodukt mRNA ist.
7. Verfahren nach Anspruch 6, wobei die mRNA der Probe mit einer BRCA1-Gensonde unter Bedingungen zusammengebracht wird, die für die Hybridisierung dieser Sonde an eine RNA entsprechend dem BRCA1-Gen geeignet sind, und die Hybridisierung dieser Sonde bestimmt wird.  
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8. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, wobei eine BRCA1-Gensonde mit genomischer DNA zusammengebracht wird, die aus der Probe unter Bedingungen isoliert wird, die für die Hybridisierung der Sonde an das Gen geeignet sind, und die Hybridisierung der Sonde bestimmt wird.  
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9. Verfahren nach Anspruch 7 oder Anspruch 8, wobei die Sonde eine mutante, Allel-spezifische Sonde ist.
10. Verfahren nach Anspruch 5, wobei das Expressionsprodukt das durch das BRCA1-Gen in der Probe kodierte Polypeptid ist.  
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11. Verfahren nach Anspruch 10, wobei das Polypeptid mittels Immunoblotting oder Immunozytochemie nachgewiesen wird.
12. Verfahren nach Anspruch 10, wobei die Bindungs-Wechselwirkung zwischen dem BRCA1-Genprotein, das aus der Probe isoliert wurde, und einem Bindungspartner, der zur spezifischen Bindung des Polypeptid-Expressionsprodukts eines mutanten BRCA1-Allels fähig ist, und/oder einem Bindungspartner für das BRCA1-Polypeptid mit der in SEQ. ID NR. 2 angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz untersucht wird.  
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13. Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, wobei die Hemmung der biochemischen Aktivität des Bindungspartners bestimmt wird.  
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14. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, welches das Bestimmen dessen umfasst, ob eine Veränderung in der Keimbahn-Sequenz des BRCA1-Gens in der Probe vorliegt, indem Verschiebungen in der elektrophoretischen Mobilität einer einzelsträngigen DNA aus der Probe auf nicht-denaturierenden Polyacrylamidgelen beobachtet werden.  
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15. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, wobei das gesamte oder ein Teil des BRCA1-Gens aus der Probe amplifiziert wird und die Sequenz der amplifizierten Sequenz bestimmt wird.
- 55 16. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, wobei Oligonukleotid-Primer zur Bestimmung dessen verwendet werden, ob ein spezifisches BRCA1-mutantes Allel in der Probe durch Nukleinsäure-Amplifikation identifiziert werden kann.



17. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, wobei das gesamte oder ein Teil des BRCA1-Gens aus der Probe kloniert wird, um eine geklonte Sequenz zu erzeugen, und die Sequenz dieser geklonten Sequenz bestimmt wird.
18. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 6, welches die Bestimmung dessen umfasst, ob eine Fehlpaarung zwischen den Molekülen (1) der aus dieser Probe isolierten genomischen DNA des BRCA1-Gens oder der BRCA1-mRNA, und (2) einer zu einer humanen Wildtyp-BRCA1-Gen-DNA komplementären Nukleinsäure-Sonde vorliegt, wenn die Moleküle (1) und (2) zum Erhalt eines Duplex miteinander hybridisiert werden.
19. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 6, wobei die Amplifikation der BRCA1-Gensequenzen in der Probe vorgenommen wird und die Hybridisierung der amplifizierten Sequenzen an eine oder mehrere Nukleinsäure-Sonden, die eine Wildtyp-BRCA1-Gensequenz oder eine mutante BRCA1-Gensequenz einschließlich einer Mutation umfassen, bestimmt wird.
20. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, welches das Bestimmen der *in situ*-Hybridisierung des BRCA1-Gens in der Probe mit einer oder mehreren Nukleinsäure-Sonden umfasst, die eine Wildtyp-BRCA1-Gensequenz oder eine mutante BRCA1-Gensequenz einschließlich einer Mutation umfassen.
21. Verfahren nach einem der vorangehenden Ansprüche, wobei die gesuchte Veränderung eine Deletionsmutation ist.
22. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 20, wobei die gesuchte Veränderung eine Punktmutation ist.
23. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 20, wobei die gesuchte Veränderung eine Insertionsmutation ist.
24. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 20, wobei die gesuchte Veränderung eine Mutation ist, gewählt aus den in Tabelle 11 angegebenen Mutationen.
25. Verfahren zum Diagnostizieren einer Prädisposition für Brust- und Eierstockkrebs beim Menschen, welches das Bestimmen in einer Gewebeprobe des Menschen der Menge eines Expressionsprodukts des BRCA1-Gens umfasst, wobei das Gen für ein BRCA1-Polypeptid mit der in SEQ.ID.Nr.2 angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer Sequenz mit mindestens 95% Identität zu jener Sequenz kodiert.
26. Verfahren zum Diagnostizieren einer Läsion bei einem Menschen auf eine Neoplasie, die mit dem BRCA1-Genlocus zusammen hängt, welches das Bestimmen in einer Probe von dieser Läsion die Menge an Expressionsprodukt des BRCA1-Gens umfasst, wobei dieses Gen für ein BRCA1-Polypeptid mit der in SEQ.ID.Nr.2 angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer Sequenz mit mindestens 95% Identität zu jener Sequenz kodiert.
27. Verfahren nach Anspruch 26, wobei die Läsion eine Brust- oder Eierstockläsion ist.
28. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 25 bis 27, wobei das Expressionsprodukt mRNA ist.
29. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 25 bis 27, wobei das Expressionsprodukt das durch das BRCA1-Gen kodierte Polypeptid ist.

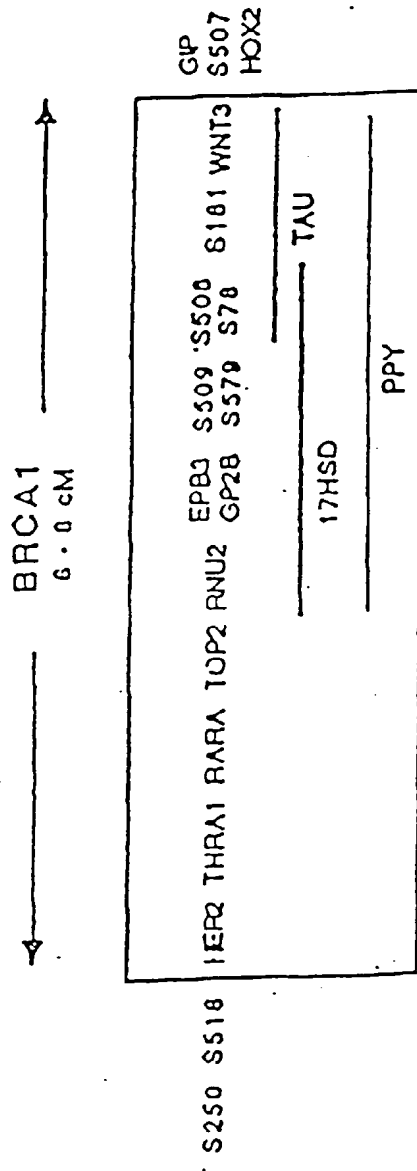
#### Revendications

1. Méthode pour le diagnostic d'une prédisposition à un cancer du sein ou de l'ovaire chez un sujet humain qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer dans un échantillon de tissu dudit sujet s'il y a une altération de lignée germinale dans la séquence du gène BRCA1 codant un polypeptide BRCA1 ayant la séquence d'acides aminés présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO:2 ou une séquence présentant au moins 95 % d'identité avec cette séquence, ladite altération étant indicative d'une prédisposition audit cancer.
2. Méthode pour le diagnostic d'une lésion d'un sujet humain pour une néoplasie associée avec le locus du gène BRCA1 qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer dans un échantillon provenant de ladite lésion s'il y a une altération dans la séquence du gène BRCA1 codant un polypeptide BRCA1 ayant la séquence d'acides aminés présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO:2 ou une séquence présentant au moins 95 % d'identité avec cette séquence, ladite altération étant indicative d'une néoplasie.

3. Méthode selon la revendication 2, dans laquelle ladite lésion est une lésion du sein ou de l'ovaire.
4. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 3, dans laquelle la séquence du gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon est comparée avec la séquence d'une ou plusieurs séquences du gène BRCA1 de type sauvage choisies parmi la séquence présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO:1 du nucléotide 120 au nucléotide 5708 et de ses variants alléliques de type sauvage.
5. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 3, dans laquelle une séquence d'un produit d'expression du gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon est recherchée.
6. Méthode selon la revendication 5, dans laquelle ledit produit d'expression est de l'ARNm.
7. Méthode selon la revendication 6, dans laquelle de l'ARNm dudit échantillon est mis en contact avec une sonde de gène BRCA1 dans des conditions appropriées pour l'hybridation de ladite sonde à un ARN correspondant audit gène BRCA1 et l'hybridation de ladite sonde est déterminée.
8. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, dans laquelle une sonde de gène BRCA1 est mise en contact avec de l'ADN génomique isolé à partir dudit échantillon dans des conditions appropriées pour l'hybridation de ladite sonde audit gène et l'hybridation de ladite sonde est déterminée.
9. Méthode selon la revendication 7 ou 8, dans laquelle ladite sonde est une sonde spécifique d'allèle mutant.
10. Méthode selon la revendication 5, dans laquelle ledit produit d'expression est le polypeptide codé par le gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon.
11. Méthode selon la revendication 10, dans laquelle ledit polypeptide est détecté par immunotransfert ou immunocytochimie.
12. Méthode selon la revendication 10, dans laquelle une interaction de liaison est testée entre la protéine du gène BRCA1 isolée à partir dudit échantillon et un partenaire de liaison capable de se lier spécifiquement au produit d'expression polypeptidique d'un allèle BRCA1 mutant et/ou un partenaire de liaison pour le polypeptide BRCA1 ayant la séquence d'acides aminés présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO:2.
13. Méthode selon la revendication 12, dans laquelle une inhibition de l'activité biochimique dudit partenaire de liaison est déterminée.
14. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer s'il y a une altération dans la séquence de lignée germinale du gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon par observation de déplacements dans la mobilité électrophorétique d'ADN simple brin provenant dudit échantillon sur gels de polyacrylamide non dénaturants.
15. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, dans laquelle la totalité ou une partie du gène BRCA1 provenant dudit échantillon est amplifiée et la séquence de ladite séquence amplifiée est déterminée.
16. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, dans laquelle des amorces oligonucléotidiques sont utilisées pour déterminer si un allèle mutant BRCA1 spécifique peut être identifié dans ledit échantillon par amplification d'acide nucléique.
17. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, dans laquelle la totalité ou une partie du gène BRCA1 provenant dudit échantillon est clonée pour produire une séquence clonée et la séquence de ladite séquence clonée est déterminée.
18. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 6, qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer s'il y a un mésappariement entre les molécules (1) ADN génomique du gène BRCA1 ou ARNm BRCA1 isolé à partir dudit échantillon, et (2) une sonde d'acide nucléique complémentaire de l'ADN du gène BRCA1 de type sauvage humain, quand les molécules (1) et (2) sont hybridées l'une à l'autre pour former un duplex.
19. Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 6, dans laquelle on effectue une amplification de séquen-

ces de gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon est effectuée et l'hybridation des séquences amplifiées à une ou plusieurs sondes d'acide nucléique qui comprennent une séquence de gène BRCA1 de type sauvage ou une séquence de gène BRCA1 mutant incluant une mutation est déterminée.

- 5     **20.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer *in situ* l'hybridation du gène BRCA1 dans ledit échantillon avec une ou plusieurs sondes d'acide nucléique qui comprennent une séquence du gène BRCA1 du type sauvage ou une séquence du gène BRCA1 mutant incluant une mutation.
- 10    **21.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications précédentes, dans laquelle l'altération recherchée est une mutation par délétion.
- 22.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 20, dans laquelle l'altération recherchée est une mutation ponctuelle.
- 15    **23.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 20, dans laquelle l'altération recherchée est une mutation par insertion.
- 24.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 20, dans laquelle l'altération recherchée est une mutation choisie parmi les mutations présentées dans le tableau 11.
- 20    **25.** Méthode pour le diagnostic d'une prédisposition à un cancer du sein ou de l'ovaire chez un sujet humain qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer dans un échantillon de tissu dudit sujet le taux d'un produit d'expression du gène BRCA1, ledit gène codant un polypeptide BRCA1 ayant la séquence d'acides aminés présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO:2 ou une séquence présentant au moins 95 % d'identité avec cette séquence.
- 25    **26.** Méthode pour le diagnostic d'une lésion d'un sujet humain pour une néoplasie associée avec le locus du gène BRCA1 qui comprend l'étape consistant à déterminer dans un échantillon provenant de ladite lésion le taux d'un produit d'expression du gène BRCA1, ledit gène codant un polypeptide BRCA1 ayant la séquence d'acides aminés présentée dans SEQ. ID. NO :2 ou une séquence présentant au moins 95 % d'identité avec cette séquence.
- 30    **27.** Méthode selon la revendication 26, dans laquelle ladite lésion est une lésion du sein ou de l'ovaire.
- 28.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 25 à 27, dans laquelle ledit produit d'expression est de l'ARNm.
- 35    **29.** Méthode selon l'une quelconque des revendications 25 à 27, dans laquelle ledit produit d'expression est le polypeptide codé par le gène BRCA1.



Map of the early onset breast and ovarian cancer region (BRCA1)

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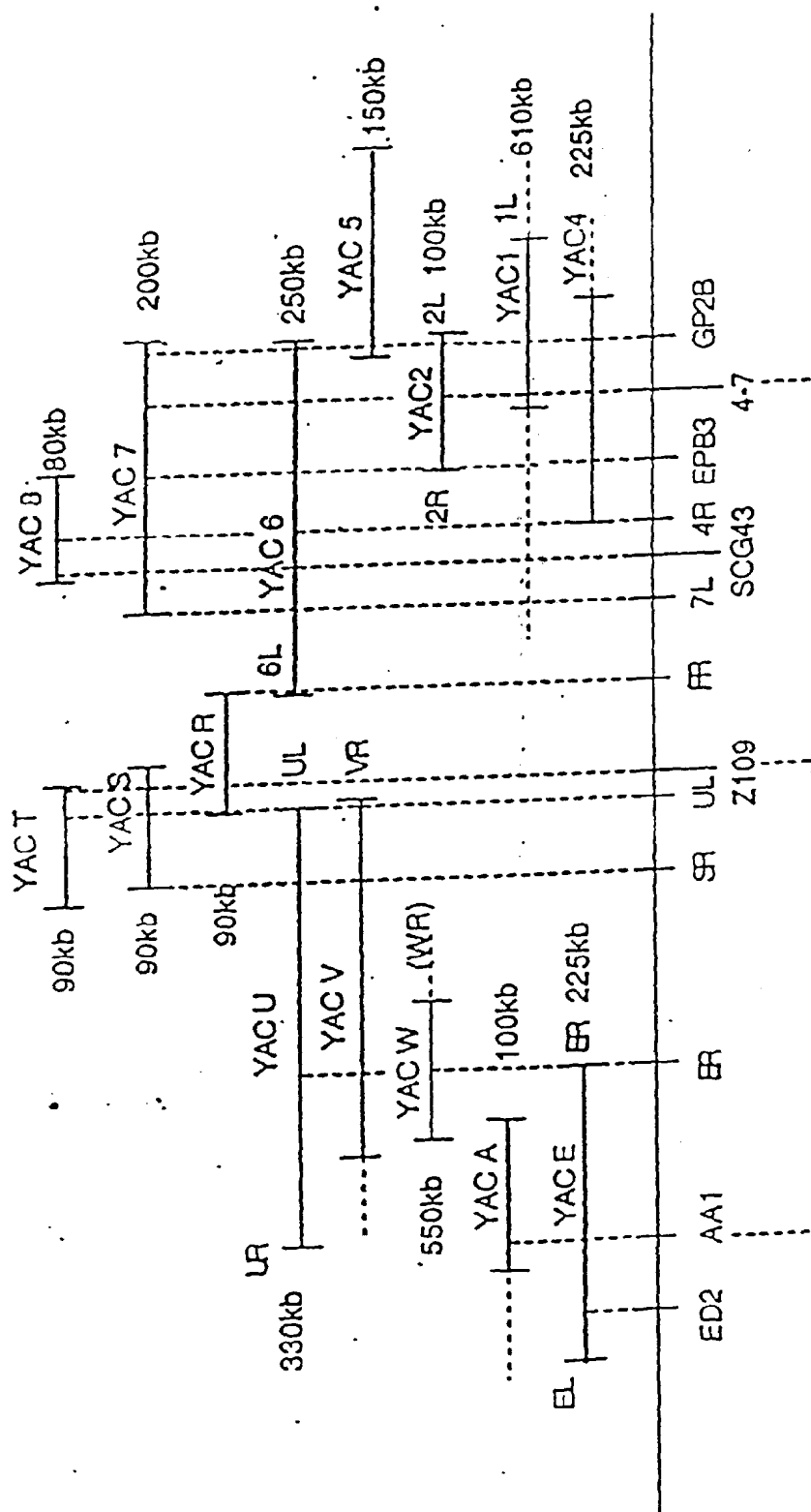


FIGURE 2

# Schematic Map of STS', Pls, and Bac's in the Region

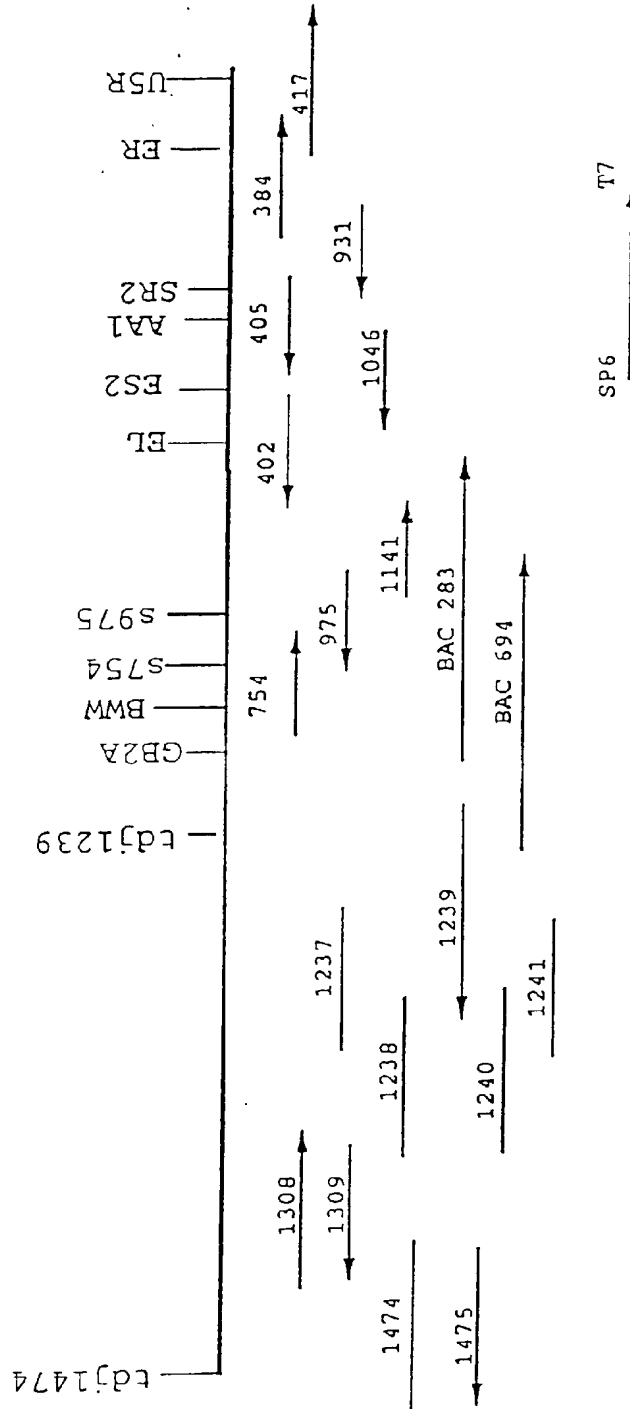


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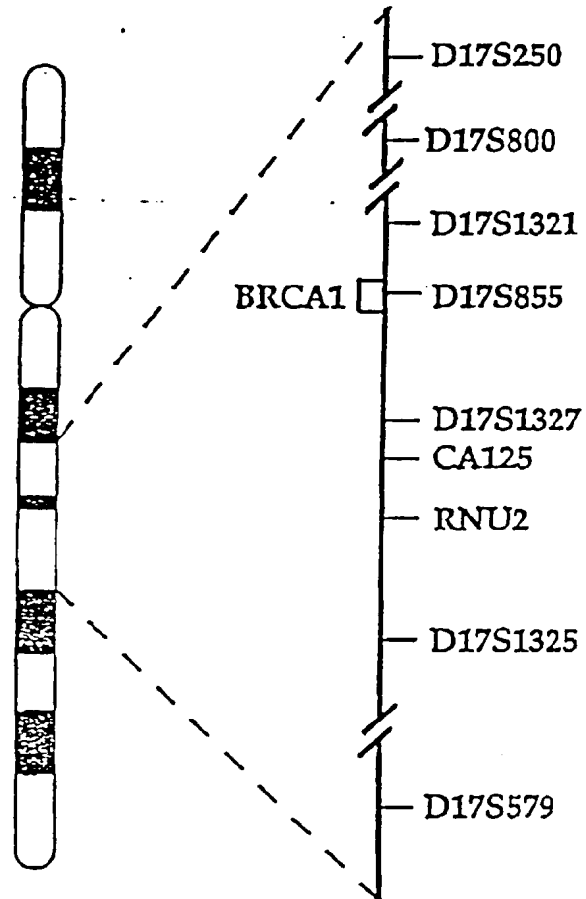


FIGURE 4

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FIGURE 5



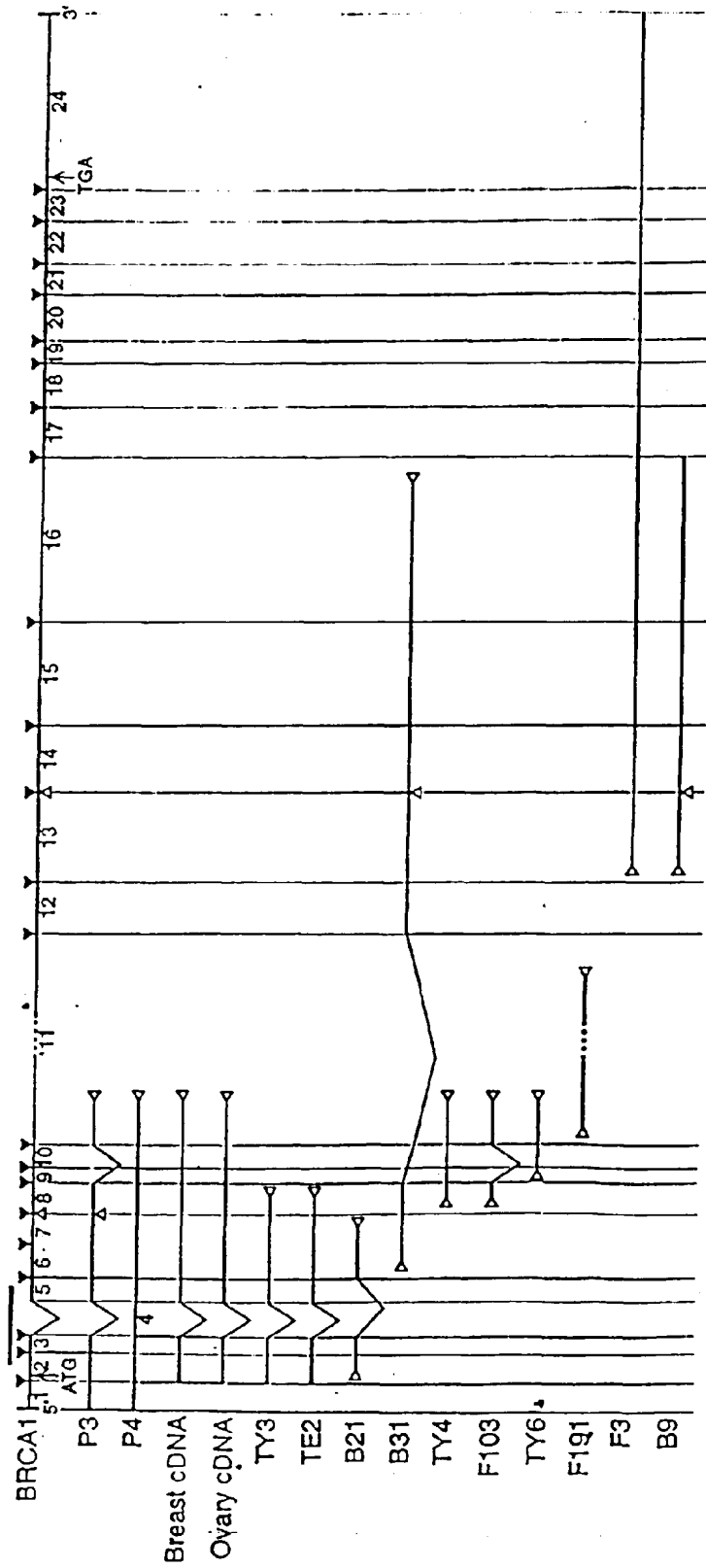


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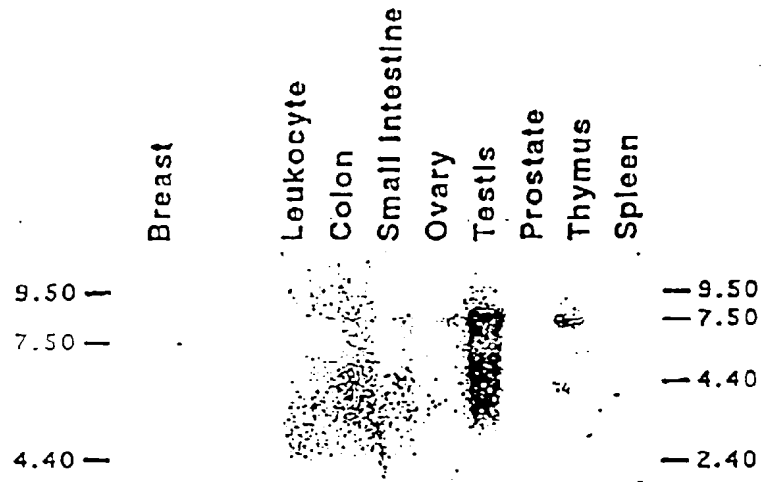


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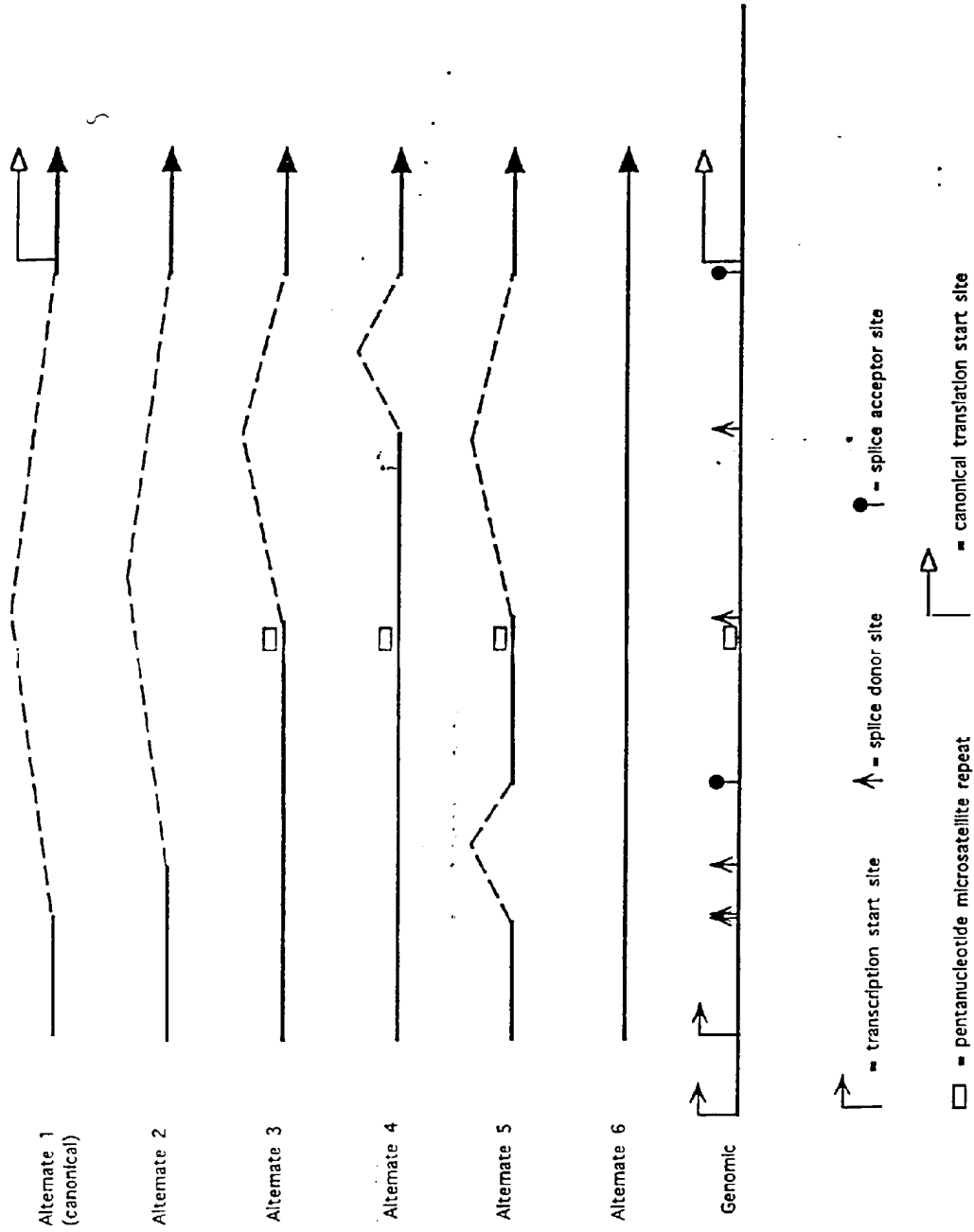


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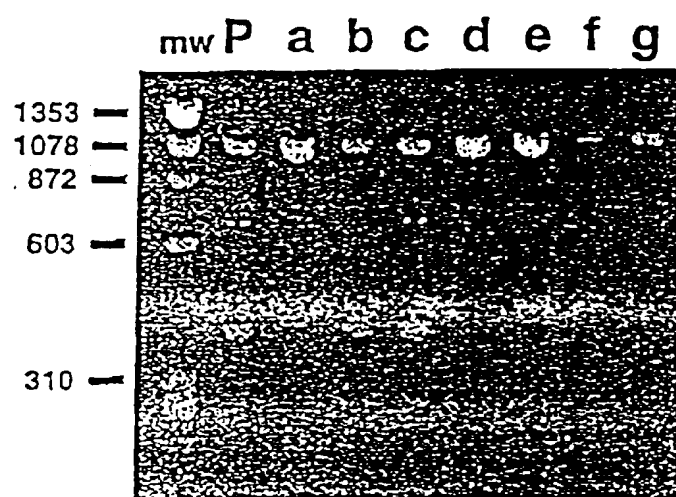


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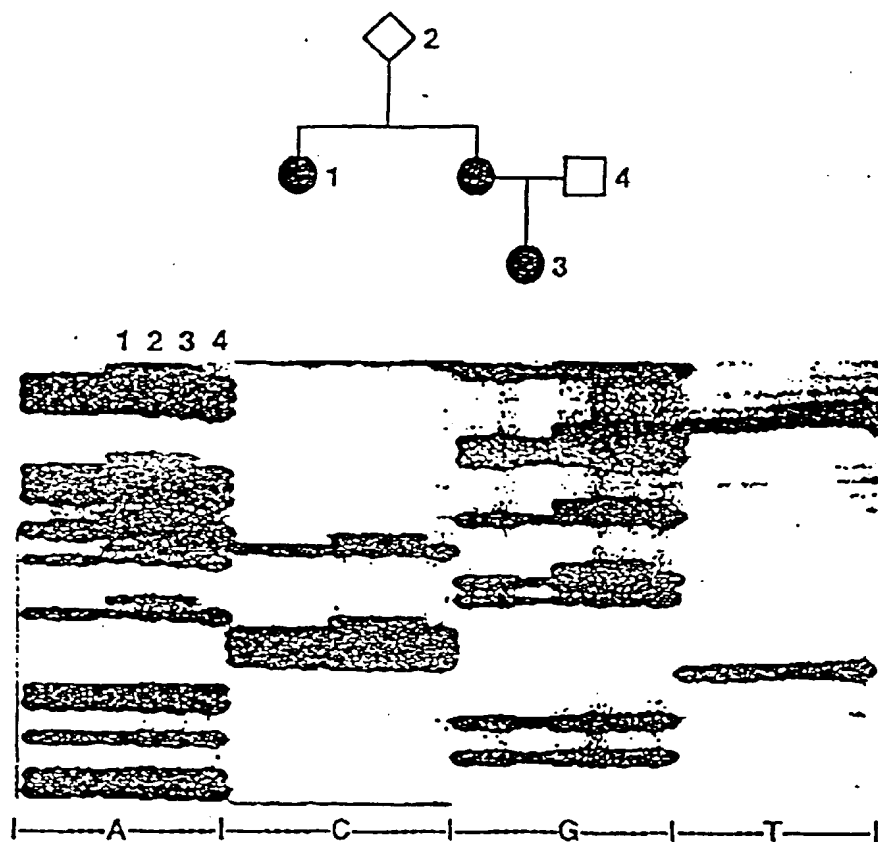


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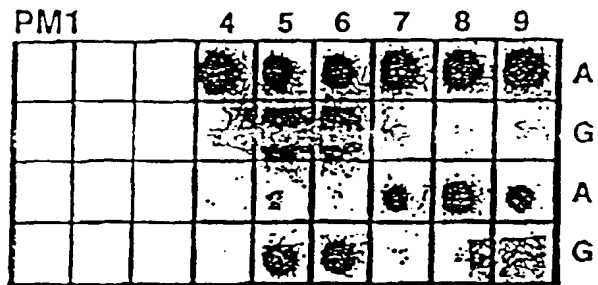
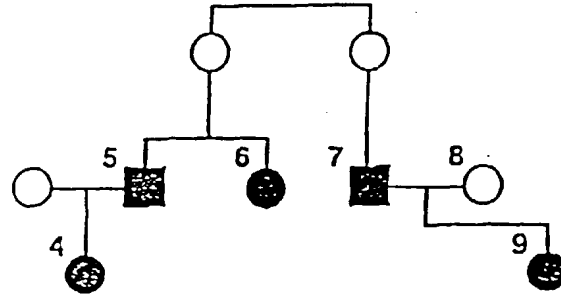


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Figure 10A

Figure 10B



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